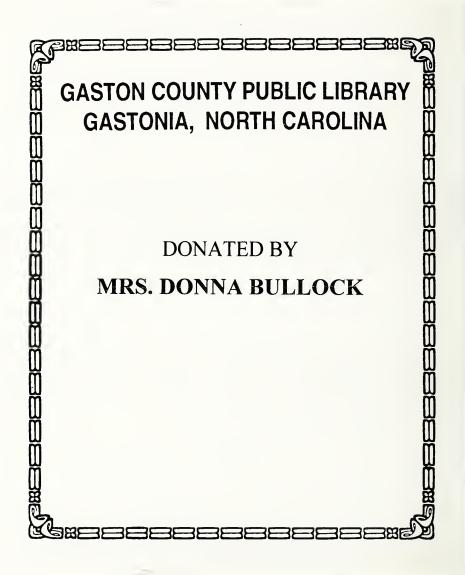


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To the ministers and members of West Avenue Presbyterian Church who have worked for the Glory of God.



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INTRODUCTION

This book traces the history of West Avenue Presbyterian Church from that of a mission church of the First Presbyterian Church in Gastonia, North Carolina in 1906 through the year 2004. The History Committee believes this church has much to be proud of from its official beginning on September 15, 1907 to the present.

In preparing for the Homecoming on September 24, 2000, a few members collected pictures that could be displayed at the event. At that time, West Avenue had no formal portraits of the ministers who had served the church. Roland Lanier assumed the responsibility. After a long search for many of them, photographs of all twelve ministers are now on display at the church.

Brief histories of the church had been written, but not a detailed history. Roland Lanier thought this should be done. The session agreed and approved bringing the session minutes from 1907 to the present from the Historical Foundation in Montreat, North Carolina to the church. Several members, James A. "Jim" Ferguson, Gwen Justus, David Keener, Faye Lanier, Roland Lanier, Polly Spencer, Mollie Trosper, and Guy Wallace, accepted the task to read the minutes and select the highlights. Although some of the minutes were brief or written in longhand, they contained interesting information.

In 2001, a committee was approved by the session to write a chronological history of the church. The committee, under the able guidance of Roland Lanier, was Donna Bullock, Jim Ferguson, David Keener, Faye Lanier, Polly Spencer*, Mollie Trosper, and Guy Wallace. They studied West Avenue Presbyterian Church records, Presbytery data, Gaston County Presbyterian Church histories, newspaper accounts, Gaston County histories, and other pertinent books.

Donna Bullock assumed the task of writing the narrative history. Other members of the committee wrote additional topics. The entire manuscript was reviewed many times by the full committee before it was approved.

The committee expresses gratitude to Leila Evans for editing the manuscript, and to David Cloninger and Gail Haynes for organizing it into book form.

The committee also regrets any omissions or errors. We hope you will enjoy reading the West Avenue Presbyterian Church history and that it will be a valuable asset for future use.

The Historical Committee

*Deceased 2002

MISSION STATEMENT

Adopted in 1997

We, the fellowship of West Avenue Presbyterian Church, are a family joined in Jesus Christ eager to: serve God and neighbor; pray and study God's Word; seek growth in Christ; and welcome others into our church. We intend to be faithful to our calling in Christ.

Adopted in 2004

The mission of West Avenue Presbyterian Church is to proclaim the love of God and the gospel of Jesus Christ through praise and worship and to minister to those in need.



PRESBYTERIAN CONNECTIONS

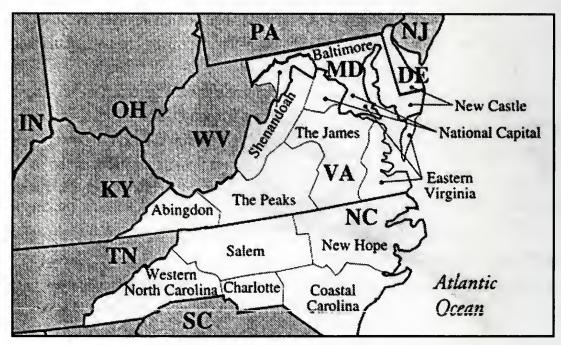
West Avenue Presbyterian Church (originally Loray Presbyterian Church) was organized on Sunday, September 15, 1907. West Avenue Presbyterian Church was under the "care" of the Kings Mountain Presbytery. Kings Mountain Presbytery included all counties west of the Catawba River, east of the Presbytery of Asheville and south of the Presbytery of Concord. This Presbytery was created at a meeting of the Synod of North Carolina in Winston-Salem on October 24, 1902. Ministers of the Presbyterian churches in Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, Polk and Rutherford counties met in Lincolnton on November 18, 1902 and affirmed the Synod's action.

The church officials from the Presbyteries of Kings Mountain, Concord and Winston-Salem met on December 31, 1971 and combined all three Presbyteries into one. The geographical composition of the Presbytery extended from the South Carolina border to the Virginia border. Instead of a name it was identified by a number – Presbytery 1, then briefly Presbytery of the Covenant.

On January 11, 1972, the consolidated Presbytery was named Concord and West Avenue was included. During the next 14 years, some important events took place within the Presbyterian denomination:

- Presbytery of Concord voted on January 28, 1983, to reunite the Presbyterian Church United States of America (Northern) and the Presbyterian Church United States (Southern) Churches.
 The denominations had been split since 1861 for 122 years.
- The reuniting of the Northern and Southern Presbyterian Churches became official by the General Assembly vote on March 10, 1983, in Atlanta, Georgia.

In 1988, Synods in the General Assembly were reorganized and the former geographical Synod of North Carolina became part of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic and the geographical composition includes the states of Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and the District of Columbia.



THE SYNOD OF THE MID-ATLANTIC

On January 28, 1989, the Presbytery of Concord was reorganized and the Presbytery of Western North Carolina was formed. This new Presbytery extended from the Catawba River westward to the Tennessee border. West Avenue is a member of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina and the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic.

The General Assembly office for the Presbyterian Church is in Louisville, Kentucky. Offices were previously in Atlanta, Georgia and New York City, New York prior to the reuniting of the Northern and Southern Presbyterian Churches.

NARRATIVE HISTORY

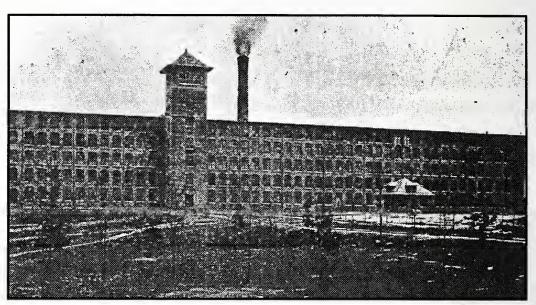
West Avenue Presbyterian Church is located in Gaston County, North Carolina in the city of Gastonia at 1015 West Franklin Boulevard. The church, established as Loray Presbyterian, was built in the area known as Loray Village and has remained on the original site.



A SECTION OF MAIN STREET

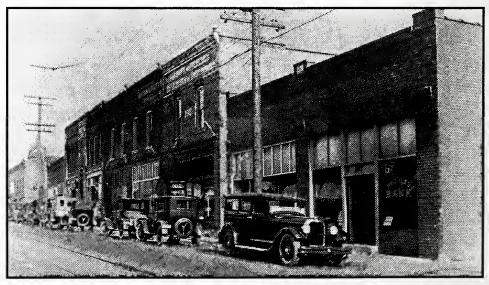
(Photo from Illustrated Handbook of Gastonia, NC 1906)

The cotton mill industry began in Gaston County in 1848. As the industry grew, it attracted many farmers and mountain people from surrounding areas. Gastonia was incorporated as a town in 1877 and by 1880, there were 236 residents. The first cotton mill in Gastonia was organized in 1887. Mill Street became Franklin Avenue in 1898. The combined effect of the railroad and the steam-powered textile mill encouraged the growth of the town. By 1900 it had two railroads, six cotton mills, a population of 4,610, and a macadamized road that led to Dallas, the county seat. In 1904 there were two automobiles: a one-cylinder steam Oldsmobile and a Locomobile steamer. By 1906 Gastonia had three banks, a library and twelve churches. Main Street was "paved" in 1907, and according to *The Gastonia Gazette* (later *The Gaston Gazette*), the twice-weekly published newspaper, a hospital and new courthouse were being considered.



LORAY MILLS
(Photo from Illustrated Handbook of Gastonia, NC 1906)

When the red-bricked Loray Mill was organized on February 19, 1900, it became the seventh cotton mill in Gastonia. It was situated on the west side, but not in the town limits. It was said to be the "largest textile mill (600,000 square-feet) under one roof in the country." Loray Mill was named for its President, George A. Gray, who had begun his career as a mill worker, and Secretary-Treasurer, John F. Love. Most of the financing for the million dollar mill's construction and equipment was furnished by local capital.

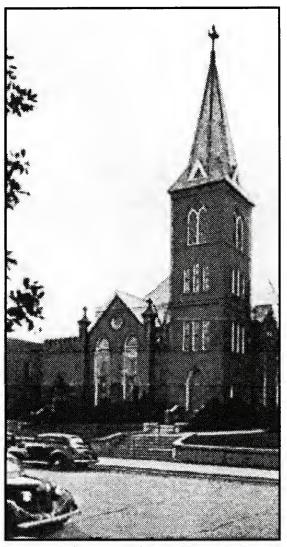


Loray Square (Greasy Corner) was located three blocks west of West Avenue Presbyterian Church. Loray Square, located between Firestone Street and Linwood Road, had many retail businesses, including two hotels and a movie theater.

(Photo from N.C. Division of Archives and History)

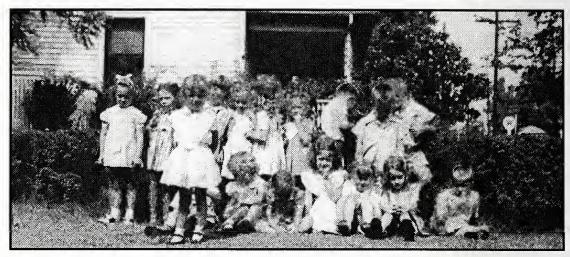
The First Presbyterian Church of Gastonia was organized in 1882. The original church building was located on Long Street. 1898 a new building with a seating capacity of one thousand had been erected on Marietta Street. The congregation believed in local mission work and in 1906 could see a need for a Presbyterian church to be established in Loray village. West End Methodist Church (1897), later Covenant United known as Methodist Church, and Loray Baptist Church (1905) had previously been established.

According to an article in the March 6, 1906 edition of *The Gastonia Gazette*, the session and the board of deacons of the First Presbyterian Church had met on February 5, 1906, to discuss "the question of erecting a church build-



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN MARIETTA STREET

ing in the Loray settlement." Elders Dr. C. E. Adams, G. W. Ragan, A. M. Smyre, and the minister, Rev. Robert C. Anderson, were elected as a committee to talk with the Loray Mill authorities about securing a lot. On February 9, 1906, this committee reported to the session that the Loray Mill authorities "had offered to donate a beautiful lot" that was 100 feet on Franklin Avenue by 150 feet on Ransom Street, "and nearly in front of the Loray Mill" for the construction of a Presbyterian church. The committee also reported that T. E. Moore, one of the chief officials of the mill, had stated that for every dollar raised by First Presbyterian Church, the Loray Mill would donate a dollar toward a total of \$1,000 for the building of this new church.



THE FIRST MANSE

Further, the mill would donate a village house adjacent to the lot for a manse. At this same session meeting, it was announced that \$600 had been offered by individuals for this mission. With this information, the session decided to proceed with the plan to build a church, and a building committee was named. This committee - Dr. C. E. Adams, G. W. Ragan, and J. Lee Robinson - were given the instruction "that no indebtedness be incurred." In raising the necessary money, the deacons were to assist the committee.

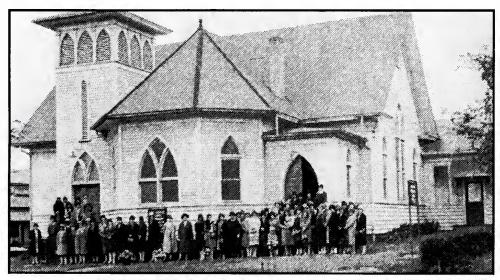
The project was explained to the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 11, 1906, and its support was requested. The money needed would be raised by church member subscriptions. "An open door was set before them which everyone seemed ready to enter" and the congregation accepted the plan to build a new church.

Loray Mill deeded the Franklin Avenue lot to the trustees of the First Presbyterian Church on March 22, 1906. In the deed there was a reverter clause that had two conditions: the property must be used for a Presbyterian Church, and the facility must cost at least \$2,500. If these conditions were not met, the property would revert to Loray Mill.

The "Locals from Loray" column in the July 13, 1906, edition of *The Gastonia Gazette* reported that in preparation for the construction of a new Presbyterian Church, one of the cottages on Franklin Avenue had been removed to another location.

On September 29, 1906, the session of The First Presbyterian Church appointed a committee consisting of Dr. C. E. Adams, F. A. Costner, J. Q. Holland, and J. F. Jackson to discuss with the Presbyterians in the Loray village the organization of a "Sabbath School." This committee reported on October 21, 1906, that a Sunday School had been established with Ed Lewis, superintendent; W. I. Stowe, assistant; and C. G. Lynch, secretary-treasurer. At the time, Mr. Lynch worked at the Loray Mill, but he later became a Presbyterian minister.

Rev. Robert C. Anderson, G. W. Ragan and T. W. Wilson were named as a committee on February 10, 1907, to secure an assistant for Rev. Anderson. This assistant would also serve as a supply pastor for the Loray church. The committee reported in March 1907, that Rev. Alfred S. Anderson had preached to the congregation and both the latter and Rev. Anderson were "satisfied." In that same month he was offered an annual salary of \$800, and was retained as the first pastor of the new church.



ORIGINAL CHURCH

(Photo from Gaston Gazette)

The building committee reported to the session of First Presbyterian Church on April 11, 1907, that the Loray Presbyterian Church facility had been completed. The total cost for construction, which included the removal of the cottage from the lot, the painting, and the seats, was \$2,715.38 and had been paid. The committee was thanked for their contribution to the successful completion of the project.

Rev. Alfred Scott Anderson's Pastorate 1907 – 1912

On Friday, September 13, 1907, *The Gastonia Gazette* reported, "Loray Presbyterian Church will be organized Sunday evening at 3 o'clock. Rev. A. S. Anderson has been very busy since he came here and has succeeded admirably in his work."

An account of the organization which appeared in *The Gastonia Gazette* on September 17, follows:



"An adjourned meeting of the Kings Mountain Presbytery was held last Sunday afternoon at the Loray Presbyterian Church. The following members of the Presbytery were present: Rev. J. M. Forbis, Rev. R. A. Miller, Rev. Cornelius Miller, Rev. J. J. Kennedy, Rev. R. C. Anderson, Mr. G. W. Ragan and Mr. J. T. Cox. Rev. Cornelius Miller was chosen moderator of the meeting and the opening sermon was preached by Rev. R. C. Anderson, after which the Loray Presbyterian Church was formally organized with 44 [43] members and the following officers: Elders, H. J. Shannon, Sam Lewis, W. F. Bradley, and LeRoy Glenn; Deacons, Ed Lewis, C. G. Lynch, Miles Shannon, and J. N. Biggs. The elders and deacons were ordained and installed, after which Rev. A. S. Anderson was unanimously called to the pastorate. Mr. [Rev.] Anderson accepted the call and at the evening service he was duly ordained and installed as pastor. Mr. [Rev.] R. C. Anderson presided and propounded the constitutional questions. Rev. J. J. Kennedy delivered the charge to the pastor and Rev. J. M. Forbis that to the people."

Earlier in the day thirty-four of the members of the new Loray Presbyterian Church had requested letters of dismissal from the First Presbyterian Church. They were: Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley, Miss Effie Cathey, J. A. Cathey, Mrs. Cynthia Dailey, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Dilling, Mrs. E. W. Fite, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glenn, Mr. Smith Howe, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ladd, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lewis,

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Maner, Mrs. A. H. Parker, H. J. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Shannon, Misses Bessie and Minnie Smith, Mrs. J. N. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. George K. Tate, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wallace. The other nine charter members were: Mrs. A. S. Anderson, wife of the minister, Mrs. Clara Lewis Counts, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox, Mr. James H. Lewis, Mrs. M. I. Lewis, Mr. S. A. Lewis, and Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lynch. These forty-three people were the charter members of the Loray Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Anderson was born in Locust Hill, Ivey Depot, Virginia, on February 14, 1878. He graduated from William and Mary College in Williamsburg, Virginia, in 1899 and Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia in 1907. He was licensed April 23, 1907.

On October 20, 1907, Paul Anderson Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lewis, was the first child to be baptized in the new church. Etta Jenkins and James Lewis were the first couple to be married. Their wedding took place on February 23, 1908. Carrie Spencer Ferguson, the mother of Jim Ferguson, was received by profession of faith on September 23, 1908.

By 1910 the population of Gastonia had reached 5,759 and it was now, officially, a city. In February 1911, a bill entitled AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF LORAY MILLS IN GASTON COUNTY was introduced in the North Carolina House of Representatives. *The Gastonia Gazette* had several articles about the controversy that arose over this bill. The action by the mill to become a town caused quite a stir among the population of Gastonia because the consensus was that the Loray area belonged within the corporate limits of

Gastonia. Furthermore, it would block the western growth of the city. After a town meeting at the city hall, it was decided to petition the



GASTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE - circa 1911

General Assembly to deny the Loray Mill bill and to amend the charter of Gastonia to extend the city limits on the west, south, and north. This "Greater Gastonia" bill passed in March 1911 and with the enactment the population of Gastonia increased by about 4,000. Loray Presbyterian Church, with a church membership of 152 and a Sunday School of 136, was now in the city of Gastonia. Also in 1911, as a result of a Gaston County vote, Gastonia replaced Dallas as the county seat.

According to the session minutes of March 24, 1912, a woman came before the session to confess to adultery. As a result of her confession, "she was restored to her former place in the church." After the evening service on March 31, 1912, there was a session meeting to accept new members and to discuss changing the name of the church. However, it was decided to defer this indefinitely. The Ladies Missionary and Aid Society was organized during Rev. Anderson's pastorate.

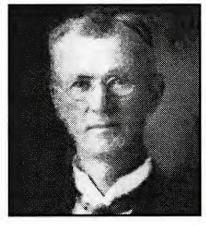
Rev. Anderson served the church until July 15, 1912, when he resigned to assume a pastorate in Waynesville, North Carolina. He returned to Gaston County in May 1920. For 26 years Rev. Anderson served as pastor for Lowell Presbyterian Church in Lowell and Cramerton Presbyterian Church (which he organized in June 1920) in Cramerton. He was also superintendent of schools for this same period. He died on April 12, 1950. Rev. and Mrs. Anderson (Katherine Morris) had five children: Alfred, Lewis, Katherine, William and Charles. It was stated that Rev. Anderson's "gracious personality and warm heart endeared him to all with whom he labored, both in the church and in the school, as a pastor and as a teacher."

The church had no regular pastor until August 1, 1913, although Rev. W. C. Whitener was an Interim Pastor, and Mr. A. J. Satterfield, a student of the Gospel ministry, filled the pulpit. A notice printed while Mr. Satterfield was the stated supply declared: Sunday School at 10 A.M., Preaching 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M., Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:30 P. M. Also at the bottom of the notice was printed, "In sickness or death send for me any time, night or day."

Rev. Kenneth Alexander Campbell's Pastorate 1913 – 1915

On August 1, 1913, Rev. Campbell began his ministry at the church.

He had been called to serve on June 29, 1913, at a salary of \$1,000 a year. He was born in Carthage, North Carolina on July 22, 1864. He graduated from Hampden-Sydney College in Hampden-Sydney, Virginia in 1892, Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia in 1894 and was ordained by the North Alabama Presbytery on April 8, 1898. In 1914 the church membership was 118, the Sunday School was 112. Rev.

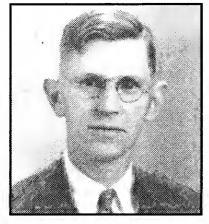


Campbell resigned on March 14, 1915, and went into farming for several years. He died on October 31, 1944. Rev. and Mrs. Campbell (Helen E. Fields) had three children.

Rev. William Jefferson Roach's Pastorate 1916 – 1920

The third pastor of Loray Presbyterian Church, Rev. Roach, was

born near Ebenezer Presbyterian Church in York County, South Carolina on May 28, 1887. He graduated from Clemson College in 1907 and Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia in 1911. Rev. Roach was licensed April 13, 1911, and ordained by the Enoree Presbytery on June 18, 1911. He came to Loray Presbyterian Church from Glenn Springs, South Carolina. Before becoming pastor of the church, he had



served as stated supply from September 1915 to February 1916. During his pastorate, the United States was involved in World War I. The church membership for 1918 is recorded as 78 and the Sunday School as 139.

Rev. Roach resigned at the session meeting on January 22, 1920. He went to the Lowell Presbyterian Church in Lowell, North Carolina. Rev. and Mrs. Roach (Annie Porter Hutchinson) had four children. Rev. Roach served as the Stated Clerk of Kings Mountain Presbytery from 1925 to 1937. At the time of his death he "was the oldest Scoutmaster in point of service in Gaston County, having celebrated his twenty-fifth anniversary as a Scouter" in 1935. He died on October 20, 1937.

Rev. Dr. Roswell Curtis Long's Pastorate 1920 – 1923

Rev. Long became the fourth pastor of the church. He was born

in Unionville, North Carolina, on October 4, 1892. Dr. Long graduated from Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina in 1913, the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, in 1914, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, in 1917. He also attended the University of Chicago during that year. In 1928 Rev. Long received the Doctor of Divinity from Arkansas College and the honorary Doctor



of Literature degree from Presbyterian College in Clinton, South Carolina in 1940. Dr. Long served as a chaplain during World War I.

Rev. Long's first session meeting as pastor was August 8, 1920. On November 14, 1920, the church's name was changed from Loray Presbyterian to West Avenue Presbyterian. The reason given in the session minutes was that the entire western part of Gastonia is to be a "field of work" for the church.

During Rev. Long's pastorate the church issued a booklet, The West Avenue Presbyterian Church "The Fellowship Church." The topics listed were HISTORY, ORGANIZATION, PRINCIPLES, PLANS, and the last topic was entitled WHY WE WANT YOU IN IT. This booklet is the first detailed record of the various working groups within the membership. The Sunday School (12 classes) met in separate rooms. All men of the church belonged to the Fellowship Bible Class, which had over 100 men on its roll. Twenty-five of those men - The Fellowship Club - had pledged to carry out the plans of the minister. The Woman's Bible Class had an enrollment of 40. The Ladies Aid and Missionary Society became the Women's Auxiliary in 1921. It met monthly as a group and once a month in four smaller groups called circles. The Scout Bible and the Gideons were the boys' classes with an enrollment over 50. There were three classes for girls: Erodelphians, Willing Workers, Sunbeams. The girls also had a Girl's Circle which met twice a month. The church had four Christian Endeavor societies the Alumni, Young People, Intermediate and Junior with a total enrollment over 100.

The session endorsed the Boy Scouts of America on June 18, 1921. Dr. Long was active in the Gastonia Boy Scout organization. (He continued his enthusiasm for the Scouts throughout his life.)

On September 21, 1921, a property transfer occurred between the Loray Mill and the Jenckes Spinning Company (a Rhode Island Corporation). Another ownership change took place on August 23, 1923, with the merger of the Jenckes Spinning Company and the Manville Company (a Rhode Island company). The church property was transferred to Manville-Jenckes Company, but First Presbyterian Church still had the deed and the reverter clause remained in effect.

During this time period the church added seven Sunday School classrooms, reroofed, repainted the interior and installed electric fans. Church membership increased to 220 in 1921, and the increase continued into 1922 with 240. But Sunday School membership decreased in those years from 344 to 325.

At a session meeting on September 9, 1923, Dr. Long resigned to enter the stewardship work of the General Assembly (he later had other pastorates and served as president of Lees-McCrae College in Banner Elk, North Carolina, from 1946 to 1948.) Dr. Long was married to Frances Martin. He died on November 2, 1960.

Rev. James Thompson Pharr's Pastorate 1923 - 1925

On September 30, 1923, Rev. Pharr acted as moderator at the session meeting. He was the fifth pastor of West Avenue Presbyterian Church, coming from the Spring Creek Presbyterian Church in Renick, West Virginia. Rev. Pharr was born in Charlotte, North Carolina on June 21, 1891. He graduated from Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, in 1912 and Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, in 1917. He was licensed by Mecklenburg Presbytery in 1917

and was ordained in June 1917 at the West Texas Presbytery. Rev. Pharr served in the United States Navy in World War I.



Church records reveal that church membership for the year 1923 was 193 and increased to 215 in 1924. The Sunday School membership was 238 for 1923; there is no record for 1924.

The session accepted the resignation of Rev. Pharr, effective April 1, 1925. He went to the Immanuel Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, North Carolina. Rev. Pharr was married to Josephine Thomson. He died on February 25, 1949.

Rev. Robert Junius Hunter's Pastorate 1925 - 1940

Rev. Hunter's first meeting as moderator of the session occurred

on September 27, 1925. Rev. Hunter, the sixth minister, was born on a farm in the Mallard Creek section of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, on February 15, 1867. He graduated from Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, in 1893. He attended Princeton Theological Seminary for a year and taught school the following year. Rev. Hunter then entered Louisville Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky and



graduated in 1897. He was licensed in 1899 and ordained by the Concord Presbytery in 1901. Before coming to West Avenue Presbyterian, Rev. Hunter was the pastor at Buechel Presbyterian Church, Buechel, Kentucky.

On October 11, 1925, at a session meeting a committee was formed to secure song books for the church. At the end of 1925 church records reveal the membership was 133, Sunday School was 126. On August 8, 1926, Judson Shannon came before the session as a candidate for the ministry.

By the mid 1920's, Gastonia was the principal town in Gaston County and was the "hub of industrial activity for the entire area with more looms and spindles within a radius of 100 miles than any other Southern city." Loray village had a population of about five thousand and many welfare services were offered by the mill.

The famous Loray Strike of 1929 had a severe impact on the community. Since 1919 some of the mill workers were dissatisfied that management did not recognize the local United Textile Worker's Union.

In 1923, the mill owners installed a fence around the mill, which was customary for the northern mills. To the Loray workers, the fence made the mill seem like a prison. By 1927, the economy had become depressed. Management had decreased the number of workers (men, women, and children), but expected the same production level with no increase in pay to the workers. People from outside the community were hired, which caused further ill feeling. The huge mill was a good target for the union. One of the leaders of the strike, Fred E. Beal, who came to Gastonia from Massachusetts to organize the mill workers into a union, was a member of the Communist Party. Violence was prevalent during the strike, which began in March 1929. Gastonia's chief of police was murdered in June. A woman involved with the strikers was killed in September.

West Avenue Presbyterian was one of the four churches in the Loray village at the time of the strike. For many of the long-term Loray Mill workers, their church was their social center. According to Liston Pope's book, *Millhands and Preachers*, of the thirty-five native strikers only eight were "active" church members and many of the new workers were not church members. There is no mention of the strike in the session minutes. It was stated in Pope's book that "Presbyterians sort of keep out of politics ... " and that the "Presbyterian Church, having a small membership of 135 to 159 of the better paid, more secure employees of the mill had been the most stable during the strike." After the strike, the mill authorities and the ministers of the Loray area agreed "that the mills and churches must work closely together." One way this was accomplished was for the Loray preachers to interview the applicants for jobs in the mill.

Church membership was 118 and Sunday School 173 in 1926, but by the end of 1930 the former was 135 and the latter 181. The census for Gastonia in 1930 revealed a population of 17,093.

During the years of the Depression in Gastonia, many people were without jobs. Banks as well as other businesses closed their doors. By 1933 the Loray Mill was essentially idle and fewer than one-third of the company houses were occupied.

An article published in *The Gastonia Gazette* in 1933 featured the West Avenue Presbyterian Church's twenty-six years with photos of the church and Rev. Hunter. The newspaper stated that it

was "one of the liv[li]est churches in the entire West Gastonia community" and that "the most cordial relations between people and pastor have been maintained through the more than eight years of association." When the article was printed, the Christian Endeavor group recently had merged into the Young People of the church and it was stated that the young people and the Sunday school were "outstanding features" of the church.

The Firestone Tire and Rubber Company bought the "strike-scarred" Loray Mill in 1935. On April 1, 1935, the church property was transferred from Manville-Jenckes to Firestone Cotton Mills and from the latter to Firestone Textiles, Inc., but the reverter clause remained in effect. Cooperation continued between the mill and the churches within the Firestone community, as it now was called, with the ministers having monthly meetings with the management. An illustration of this cooperation is the mill paying half the expense for a new floor for the auditorium of the church in 1937. By the end of 1939, church membership was 165 and the Sunday school 169.

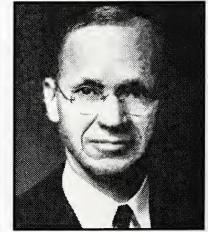
After a successful 15 years as pastor, Rev. Hunter resigned, effective May l, 1940. It was stated that "his ability in the pulpit and conducting of the many departmental activities had been outstanding." He had served four churches in his 44 years of ministry. After retirement, he continued to supply pulpits and was a supply minister for West Avenue. Rev. Hunter and his wife, Annie Russell Gaines, had two children, Rev. R. J. Hunter, Jr, and Mrs. Arthur C. (Miriam) Vickers. Mrs. Hunter died in June, 1938. She had been active in the Women's Auxiliary, the Presbytery and the Synod of North Carolina. Rev. Hunter died on June 18, 1947.

Rev. Wilton Cook Neel's Pastorate 1940 - 1955

The pulpit committee to secure the seventh pastor was: Miss

Myrtle Bradley, H. W. Counts, Mrs. R. A. Ferguson, George Gambel, E. L. Lewis, O. L. Rhyne, A. C. Vickers. A call was given to Rev. Neel on July 21, 1940, and he began his pastorate September 24, 1940.

Rev. Neel was born near Charlotte, North Carolina, on September 16, 1894. He was in the United States Army 1918-1919. He graduated from Davidson College,

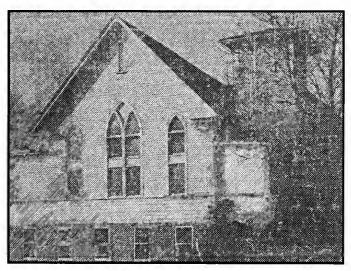


Davidson, North Carolina, in 1920 and Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, in 1923. He was ordained by the Greenbrier Presbytery in West Virginia on July 8, 1923.

The census of 1940 recorded the population of Gastonia as 21,313. The church membership for that year was 168 and 182 on the Sunday School rolls.

On June 3, 1941, after thirty-four years, the trustees of the First Presbyterian Church transferred the deed title to the Board of Trustees (George Gamble, E. L. Lewis, and J. E. Spencer) of West Avenue Presbyterian Church. In November 1941, the session approved of the plan for the choir to wear robes. The church continued to sponsor the Boy Scouts and the Women's Auxiliary sponsored a Girl Scout troop.

In April 1942, two basement rooms were added below the existing building. The larger room was 46 x 31 feet and the smaller room (a kitchen) 15 x 11 feet, both with a height of 8 1/2 feet. The outside walls were brick. The large room was to be used as a meeting place for the Men's Bible Class, the Women's Auxiliary, Boy Scouts and a fellowship center. The total cost, which had been paid, was \$1,615.22.

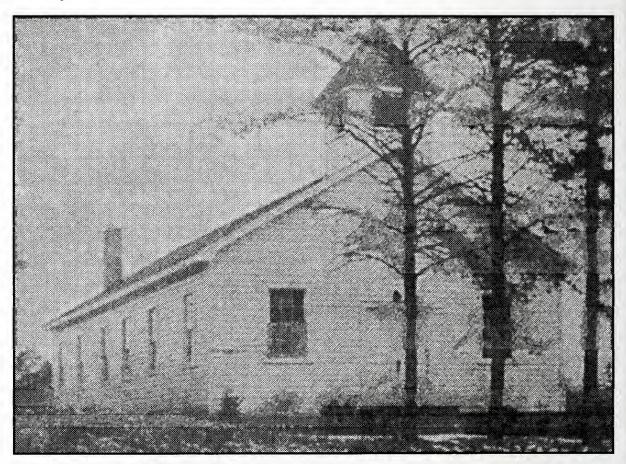


BASEMENT ADDITION 1942

(Photo from Gaston Gazette)

The Gastonia city schools planned to employ a full-time Bible teacher in May 1942. The churches of the city donated funds for this project and West Avenue's portion was twenty dollars. (The teacher, Miss Mary Grier Leslie, came to West Avenue in December 1944. She taught the Book of Acts to the Young People for three consecutive nights.)

On January 6, 1943, the session agreed to help with the organization of a church at Northside Chapel. According to the *History of First Presbyterian Church of Gastonia, North Carolina*, Miss Ola Moton, a city missionary, was employed by several congregations to work among the "neglected" areas in the city. Mostly through her efforts the original Northside Chapel was erected and planned to be a community church, but the Baptists dropped their support. From that point volunteers from First Presbyterian Church and West Avenue Presbyterian Church continued with the mission work.



NORTHSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In accordance with the action of Kings Mountain Presbytery, the commission to organize Northside Presbyterian Church took place on September 5, 1943. Rev. Neel was chosen clerk of the commission. Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Conner and daughters, Helen and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. John Eudy, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rhyne and daughter, Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Rhyne, Mrs. F. N. Rice, Mr. Earl Shannon, Mr. A. W. Southard transferred their membership from West Avenue to the new church. (West Avenue continued its support of Northside and in September, 1945, the session voted to contribute \$250 or more up to \$500 to help build a manse.)

In January 1943, the session adopted a motion to support a ban on the sale of beer, wine, and other intoxicating drinks from 6:00 p.m. Saturday until 7:00 a.m. Monday.

During World War II (1941-1945), Rev. Neel wrote letters that were mailed to the military men on the "Service Roll," which listed the names of twenty members and ten other men who had a close tie with the church. These letters contained information about the servicemen. A Service Roll Plaque was given by the Men's Bible Class in November 1943. All the various church groups met on Wednesday nights during the war.

Cooperation continued between the Firestone Cotton Mill and the church. A letter written to the mill in January 1944 thanked them for painting the interior of the church and Sunday School rooms. That summer (June 14-23) more than 50 boys and girls were enrolled in the Beginner, Primary and Junior classes of the Vacation Bible School. In October the Young Peoples' Fall Rally for one of the Presbytery districts was held at West Avenue Presbyterian.

The Men's Club was organized in February 1945. Church membership for the year was 198 and Sunday School 165.

At a meeting on February 17, 1946, the congregation voted to add two additional elders and four additional deacons. The deacons were elected to serve 3 year terms. All deacons would now have this limited term. In November there was a congregational meeting to adopt a program to raise funds for a new church building. Also in the year 1946, the church purchased the first organ for the sanctuary.

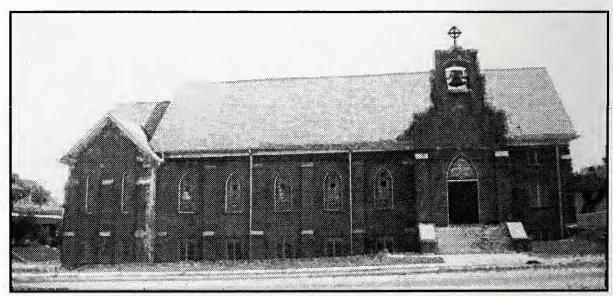
In August 1947, a building committee was appointed to consider renovating the church facility. Those on that committee were H. F. Hogue, George Gamble, and W. S. Spencer, Jr., who later drew the plans. On November 9, 1947, the Women's Auxiliary presented a request to establish a Memorial Building Fund to the session.

Firestone Textiles, Inc., presented a resolution to the session on June 26, 1949 authorizing the Trustees of West Avenue Presbyterian Church "to accept as trustees of the church deeds to the church and manse property" (the reverter clause remained in effect). In this same resolution the trustees were requested "to execute a deed of conveyance to Firestone Textiles, Inc., a portion of the church property fronting 30 feet on Ransom Street." A congregational meeting was called for July 3, 1949 to adopt this resolution.

The first annual Missionary Conference sponsored by the Presbyterian Churches of Gastonia and vicinity was held January 29 - February 5, 1950. Thirteen former and present Presbyterian missionaries spoke at the conference.

Another event of 1950, was Kings Mountain Presbytery's purchase of Bear Walla Camp near Saluda, North Carolina. West Avenue's portion of \$1,100 was paid on the fifth of November.

The original frame church building took on "a new and modern look" when the remodeling that had been in the planning stage for several years became a reality in early 1951. A brick veneer was placed over the building. A new sanctuary with a seating capacity for 200, choir loft, eight additional Sunday School rooms, four restrooms, a full basement, and a new kitchen were built. Only two rooms had not been changed - the pastor's study and the Uniform Sunday School classroom. The cost of the renovation was approximately \$65,000. The stained-glass windows for the new sanctuary were given by members and friends in memory of loved ones. During the renovation, the Firestone Girl's club building, located on the corner of Dalton Street and Second Avenue was used for some church activities.



REMODELED CHURCH BUILDING 1951

In preparation for the Special Evangelistic services to be held during the week of March 22 - 29, 1952, prayer meetings were held in the homes of members two weeks before the event. In the following years these meetings were called cottage prayer meetings.

The property of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Vickers (called the R. J. Hunter house) at 1109 Spencer Avenue was bought for the manse for \$12,445 on June 7, 1953. Mrs. Vickers (Miriam) was a daughter of Rev. Hunter. A "housewarming" given by the members was held at the manse for Rev. and Mrs. Neel in July 1953. The old manse adjacent to the church was torn down and the property graded and graveled for a parking lot. West Avenue Presbyterian was situated among mill houses and other Firestone buildings, such as the recreational building on one corner of Second and Dalton Streets and the swimming pool on the opposite corner. (Neither of these remains.)



SECOND MANSE - 1109 SPENCER AVENUE

During the Korean War (1950 - 1953) a film, "Korea" was shown to church members describing the relief work done by the missionaries. Each of the three years the congregation sent about two hundred pounds of used clothing to Korea.

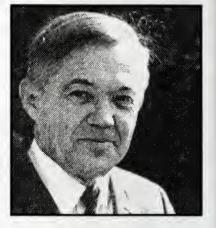
When Rev. Neel accepted a call to the Saluda Presbyterian Church in Saluda, North Carolina, on September 15, 1955, church membership had reached 225 with a Sunday School membership of 250. After Rev. Neel's departure, Rev. Charles M. Boyd of Charlotte, North Carolina, served as the supply pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. Neel (Floride Faires) had two children, Carolyn and John. He had been the pastor for 15 years and a "great loss" was expressed by the congregation upon his resignation. The Women's Auxiliary recorded that Mrs. Neel had been active in the affairs of the church and would be missed. Rev. Neel died on September 26, 1969.

Rev. David Fairley Blue Jr.'s Pastorate 1956 - 1964

Rev. Blue, the eighth minister, came to West Avenue from the

Bayless Memorial Presbyterian Church in Concord, North Carolina. He delivered his first sermon to the church on January 22, 1956, after first being received into the Kings Mountain Presbytery. Rev. Blue was born in Wade, North Carolina, on May 21, 1911. He graduated from the Presbyterian Junior College, Maxton, North Carolina, in 1931, Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, in 1933. After



attending Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, for two years he graduated from Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, in 1936. Rev. Blue was ordained by the Fayetteville Presbytery on April 22, 1936.

Rev. Blue and his family moved into the newly decorated manse at 1109 Spencer Avenue. An open house was held on the evening of February 10, 1956, with about 125 guests in attendance.

The Session approved the first salaried Choir Director, Mrs.

Josephine C. Eden, a well-known Gastonia school teacher and musician. Also, Mrs. Eden taught seventh and eighth grades at Myrtle School and was director of the Glee Club. Her daughter, Leila Evans, has also been Choir Director at West Avenue since 1995 (more information on Leila Evans follows).



MRS. JOSEPHINE EDEN

The Men of the Church was reorganized in the spring of 1957 and a Junior Choir was also formed. Church records reveal that a Daily Vacation Bible School had an enrollment of 175 that summer. During Rev. Blue's pastorate the first couples' Sunday School class, the Builders Class, was organized.

In preparation for the fiftieth anniversary of West Avenue, the congregation on March 19, 1957, agreed to put special emphasis on paying off the church's remodeling debt. (The congregation did contribute \$4,300 for this purpose.)

The week-long celebration began on Sunday morning, September 15, 1957. During the worship service, Rev. C.G. Lynch, a charter member, gave the sermon. This was followed by a homecoming dinner. The day's program concluded with the evening service. The celebration continued through Friday evening with special services by guest ministers and choirs. The congregation also celebrated the "burning of the mortgage."

In 1958, the Women's Auxiliary sponsored a Brownie Scout Troop. On July 6, the church treasurer, R. A. Ferguson, announced that all church and manse building debts had been paid. This was three years ahead of schedule.

Also in July, Dorothy Spencer (daughter of Mr.& Mrs. W. S.

Spencer, Sr.) was appointed by the Board of World Missions as an educational missionary for a three-year term in Kobe, Japan, for the Presbyterian Church (US). Miss Spencer was the first missionary from the church.

The Cramer Little house and adjacent lot on South Ransom Street were purchased in July 1960, and remodeled for Sunday School classrooms and other church activities.

Mr. R. A. Ferguson, father of Jim Ferguson, was recognized in 1960 with a plaque



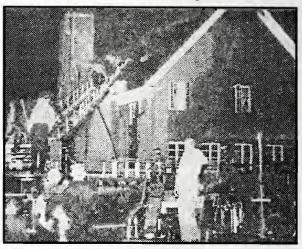
MS. DOROTHY SPENCER

for dedication and service as Treasurer for West Avenue from 1924-1960. He also served as moderator of a Kings Mountain Presbytery meeting. Mr. C. L. Spencer was recognized in 1960 with a plaque for his many years of serving as Clerk of Session from 1927-1960.

The population of Gastonia in 1960 was 37,276. Church membership was 286 and Sunday School was 272.

A special week of evangelistic services was held from April 1 to April 8, 1962. At the conclusion of the Sunday evening service on

April 8, smoke was seen coming from the roof. When the fire was extinguished, the sanctuary roof was destroyed and the rest of the building suffered water and smoke damage. There had been about 100 members at the service, but no one was hurt. Faulty wiring in an upstairs Sunday School room proved to be the cause of the fire.



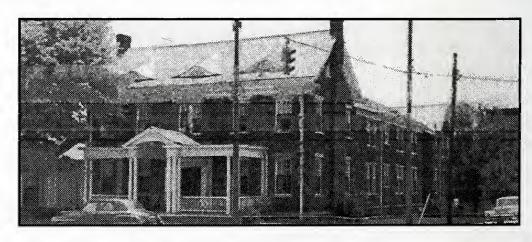
1962 FIRE



REMOVING THE ORGAN FROM THE SANCTUARY

During the renovation, which cost about \$30,000, many of the activities were held in the old Firestone Dormitory. This building, later demolished, was situated across Dalton Street from the church and was part of the Gaston Technical Institute. (The Institute merged with Gaston College and is now located in Dallas, North Carolina.) It was not until June 24, 1962, that the church service was resumed in the sanctuary. In addition to the fire damage repair, other improvements were made, including new

carpet in the sanctuary, seat cushions for the pews, and air-conditioning.



OLD FIRESTONE DORMITORY (GASTON TECHNICAL INSTITUTE)
-Photograph courtesy of The Loray Historical Collection, Loray Baptist church, Gastonia, NC.

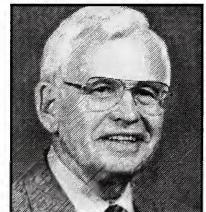
Rev. Blue's resignation in December 1963 was effective January 15, 1964. He went to Dogwood Acres Presbyterian Church in Asheboro, North Carolina. The Pulpit Nominating Committee elected by the congregation was Mrs. Myrtle Bradley Collette, R. A. Ferguson, Mrs. Cathy Kennedy, Roland Lanier, and Hugh Pursley. The church records reveal that at the end of 1963 the church membership had reached the highest ever at 316. The Sunday School enrollment was 259. The congregation celebrated a debt-free church on January 12, 1964.

Rev. Blue and his wife, Thelma Johnson Walker, had two sons, Charles and Paul. He died April 9, 1987.

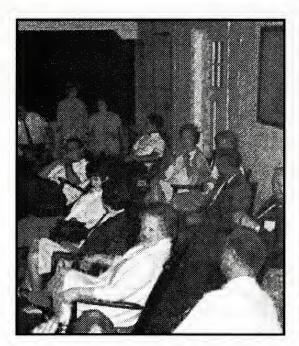
Rev. Dr. Jack Clayton Robinson's Pastorate 1964 – 1981

Dr. Robinson, the ninth pastor, preached his first sermon at West Avenue Presbyterian on June 7, 1964. According to *The Gastonia Gazette*, he selected as his topic "The Mission of the Church and the Role of the Minister." In his sermon he stated that "to be a Christian ... is the highest privilege known to man." Dr. Robinson was born in

Clover, South Carolina on October 1, 1928. He graduated from Lees-McCrae College, Banner Elk, North Carolina, in 1949, King College, Bristol, Tennessee, in 1951, and Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, in 1954. Dr. Robinson received his Doctor of Ministry degree from McCormick Seminary, Chicago, Illinois, on June 10, 1975.



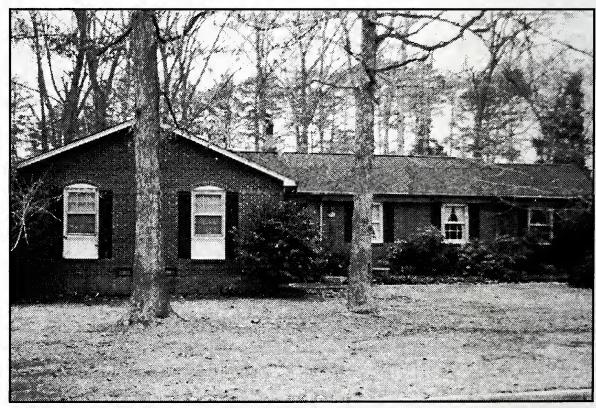
Several men of the church with their families attended the Synod's Men of the Church Conference held at Montreat, June 12 - 14, 1964.





SYNOD MEN'S CONFERENCE - MONTREAT

Also in June 1964, construction began on a new four bedroom brick manse at 2009 Taylor Drive. The initial cost of the manse was \$31,310, but the builder allowed \$10,000 for the old manse. Rev. Robinson and his family moved into the manse on October 21, 1964, and an open house was held on November 1, 1964.



THIRD MANSE - 2009 TAYLOR DRIVE

In August 1964, the session adopted the Covenant Life Curriculum literature for the Sunday School and several families attended the Kings Mountain Presbyterian Camp in Saluda, North Carolina, for a weekend retreat.

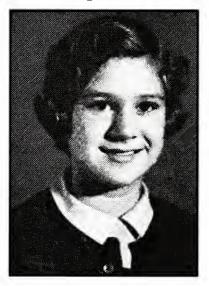
The Rotary System for Elders, with a term of four years, was instituted in 1965. The first terms began in 1966. Of the twelve elders, there were three sets of father and son.

In 1966 during the Vietnam War, protestant churches throughout the United States were asked to send cotton material to the Vietnamese refugee women. West Avenue sent 64 yards of material. Several men from the church were in the armed forces during this war.

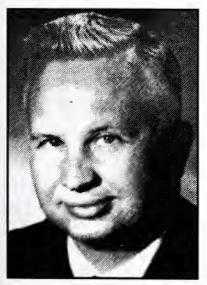
At the close of the morning worship service on April 23, 1967,

the West Aveunue Presbyterian Church Library was dedicated in the memory of Paula Patricia (Pat) Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Spencer, Jr. The library was to be a living memorial to Pat. (It was located in a Sunday School room above the present narthex.)

In June 1967, Roland Lanier attended the General Assembly in Bristol, Tennessee, as a commissioner from Kings Mountain Presbytery.



PATRICIA SPENCER



ROLAND LANIER

A new shopping center on the eastern side of Gastonia, the Gaston Mall, was built during the 1960's economic boom, and Interstate 85 was extended beyond the city. The textile industry began to change with smaller mills consolidating and more management coming from outside the area.

A change also occurred in the government of the church on December 17, 1967, with the ordination and installation of the first woman deacon, Mrs. Myrtle Bradley Collette, who had been the church pianist/organist from 1925 to October 1, 1967. In 1960 she had previously been honored for her work in the church. On January 26, 1969, she was installed as the first woman elder.



MYRTLE COLLETTE

Dr. Robinson was featured in the September 8, 1968, issue of *The Gastonia*

Gazette. In the article, he stated: "All Christians ought to be participating citizens ... in the life of their area." He also said that he thought there were too many small neighborhood Presbyterian churches in the area.

On January 26, 1969, Mrs. Bertie Keener was installed as the second woman deacon. Her son, David Keener, is an active, life-long member of West Avenue.

The congregation voted on February 8, 1970 to demolish the

Frank Mabe house on Dalton Street in order to make a larger parking area. (It had been purchased in January 1968 for \$9,000)

The census of 1970 revealed Gastonia had a population of 47,002. Church membership that year had dropped to 205 and Sunday School enrollment was 187.



BERTIE KEENER

According to church records, West Avenue Presbyterian Church had a Lay Witness Mission from September 10 - 12, 1971; that was "something very special in its life."

In 1972, the following events occurred: West Avenue Presbyterian became part of the Concord Presbytery, the church was chosen by the Board of National Ministries to participate in a pilot Comprehensive Congregational Life Program (this program was to develop a ministry to meet some particular need in the Loray community), the first pictorial directory was issued, and the Women of the Church cookbook was distributed. A digital computer organ was dedicated in memory of Mr. R. A. Ferguson on October 8, 1972. The organ, which cost \$7,616, was primarily paid for by family contributions. The old organ was given to the Hephzibah Presbyterian Church, a country church in the area.

In February 1973, the Meals-on-Wheels program was funded for \$12.50 weekly. In March, the Forever Young Club, a group for senior members, was organized.



FOREVER YOUNG CLUB MEETING

A group of church members attended the church retreat at Camp Grier in Old Fort, North Carolina on the weekend of September 28 - 30. The congregation voted in December to demolish the Cramer Little house on South Ransom Street, which had been used for Sunday School rooms and youth activities. Also in December, the first annual congregational Christmas Dinner was held.

In May 1974, the children's sermon during the morning worship service was begun.

A number of West Avenue Presbyterian families attended the graduation of Dr. Robinson at the First Presbyterian Church, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on June 10, 1975. He received his Doctor of Divinity degree. According to Women of the Church records, this "honor came as the result of a lot of study and hard work leading the congregation through a number of projects during which both congregation and minister experienced growth and development." The congregation gave him a complete set of the Interpreter's Bible as a graduation gift.

On September 7, 1975, the congregation approved combining the session and deacons into one body of 16 elders. This unicameral system would consist of four classes of four elders. The change was the result of the congregation's goal-setting process. The new officers installed were Myrtle Collette, Jim Ferguson, Janet Forster, Dennis Godfrey, Ernest Jenkins, David Keener, Roland Lanier, Hugh Pursley, Charles Sellers, Sylvia Sellers, Robert E. Spencer, W. S. Spencer Jr., Earl Stockton, Annie Torrence, Mollie Trosper, and Guy Wallace. Also in 1975, a task force studied the possibility of merging with other small Presbyterian churches in the area.

The publication of the West Avenue Newsletter began in 1976. The WESTAVENEWS is a monthly publication, which lists activities of the month and special articles from the Pastor, other leaders, and members.

The dedication of the remodeled basement Fellowship Room occurred on June 12, 1977 in the memory of life-long member, Peggy Ann Crawford, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Crawford.



PEGGY CRAWFORD

In 1979, a Risk Evangelism program to help the people of the community, was directed by a committee under the chairmanship of Jim Ferguson. One outreach was to the prisoners at the Dallas Prison Unit.

The session decided on February 24, 1980, that West Avenue should not re-locate at this time considering "the developing strength ... of participation and financial support, and the fact that West Avenue [was] the only viable Presbyterian Church ... in the southwest quadrant of the county."

Two more pieces of property on Dalton Street were purchased on

May 20, 1980; the J. W. Starr house and lot, and the Virginia Nivens lot. This same year the church initiated the use of Friendship (sign up) Books in the pews, the display of the Chrismon Tree in the sanctuary during the Christmas season, and the monthly hunger offering of "Making Your 2 Cents Count."

Church membership for the year was 202 and the Sunday School enrollment was 174. The population of Gastonia was 47,333. Textiles remained the top source of income and employment, but other industries were beginning to emerge.

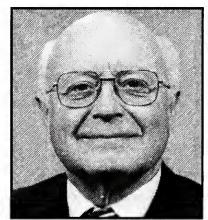


CHRISMON TREE

Dr. Robinson resigned on November 1, 1981, to accept a call to the Unity Presbyterian Church in Denver, North Carolina. During his pastorate, "a committed leadership was developed and a strong organizational structure was formed." Several members assumed roles locally and at the Presbytery level. Dr. Robinson had served the church for seventeen years. He and his wife (Joyce Ann Chastain) have two children, Beth and Cary. He is now retired and lives in Banner Elk, North Carolina.

The congregation elected a five-member Pulpit Nominating

Committee: Myrtle Collette, Jim Ferguson, Roland Lanier, Charles Sellers, and Mollie Trosper. The interim pastor for the church was Rev. Will Terry, Dean of Students at Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina.



REV. WILL TERRY

On February 16, 1982, Firestone Tire and Rubber Company conveyed a clear deed to the church trustees. This deed released the reversionary rights on the property. It was through the efforts of Attorney James (Jick) Garland (an elder of First Presbyterian Church, and friend of West Avenue), and W. S. Spencer, Jr., an elder of West Avenue, that this was accomplished. In the original deed, seventy-five years ago, the reverter clause had stated that the property must be used for a Presbyterian Church and had to cost at least \$2,500, or the property would revert to the mill.

Rev. Dr. David John Bailey's Pastorate 1982 – 1992

Dr. Bailey, called as the tenth pastor for West Avenue

Presbyterian, began on July I, 1982. He was born in Kingstree, South Carolina, but later lived in Huntsville, Alabama, where his father, Dr. Donald Bailey, was minister of the First Presbyterian Church. He graduated from Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, in 1977 and Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, with a Doctor of Ministry in 1982. Dr. Bailey was ordained and installed at West Avenue on August 1, 1982.



West Avenue Presbyterian celebrated its 75th anniversary on Sunday, September 12, 1982. Old pictures and newspaper articles were displayed. It was a time of fellowship and thanksgiving with many former members. The anniversary concluded with a picnic lunch.



FELLOWSHIP HALL BEING READIED FOR 75TH REUNION

In October 1982 Irene Roberts became Director of Christian Education.

Several events occurred in 1983: At a meeting on May 8, the congregation decided to purchase the Charles Hamrick property adjacent to the church on Ransom Street. On June 10, the Presbyterian Church (US) reunited with the Presbyterian Church (USA). (They had been divided since 1861 over problems that led to the Civil War.) A governmental change took place within West Avenue in September when the term of office for elders was changed to three years.

Headstart, the government-sponsored program for four and five year old children, began meeting daily in 1985 in the church fellowship hall. There were twenty children in attendance.

Women continued to play an important role in the work of the church. In June 1986, Mollie Trosper represented the Concord Presbytery as a commissioner to the General Assembly meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and served on the Design Committee Mission for the Presbyterian Church (USA.)

In 1987, because of the organizational changes within the women's groups of the Presbyterian Church (USA), the Women of the Church became the Presbyterian Women.



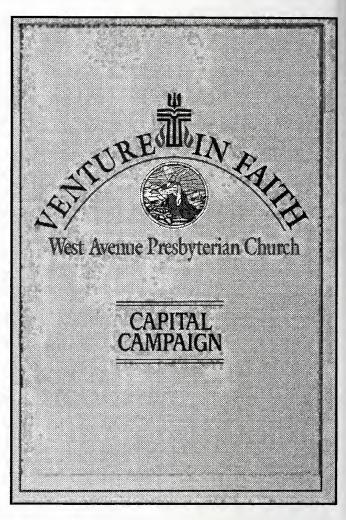
MOLLIE TROSPER

For several years the church members had struggled with the problem of whether to move to a different location in Gastonia. Many businesses had closed in the downtown area with new development moving east; for example, Matthews Belk moved to Eastridge Mall in 1976. As stated by Dr. Bailey in the September 20, 1987 edition of The Charlotte Observer, the present site "is not the most attractive or the most upbeat area of town..." He also said that "Christ calls the church not only into affluent, populated areas, but also into the midst of cities and less than attractive settings." Dr. Bailey thought that it was "a challenge to prove that a church can not only survive, but thrive, without moving to the areas of population expansion."

On September 13, 1987, the congregation voted to stay at the existing site. At this meeting, they also approved a "Venture in Faith"

Building Campaign to raise \$500,000 to remodel and to expand the church facility with a 6,371 square foot addition. If the campaign could secure five-year pledges in October and November, then construction could begin in about three years. Hugh Pursley was chairman of the campaign and Jim Ferguson was chairman of the building committee.

The remodeling and new construction included a Fellowship Center, with room to seat 250 people and a 20 foot ceiling to accommodate volleyball and other recreational activities. It would also include a kitchen, meeting



room, Pastor's study, church office, rest room facilities, and a narthex. The congregation hoped that the remodeling and new addition would encourage new members.

One week after this decision, the 80th anniversary was observed at the church. The program included a review of the church's history, dedication of the handbells, sermon by Dr. Will Terry, a former interim minister, and a covered-dish lunch.

Rev. Paul Kercher aided the church with the Venture in Faith capital campaign, and by July 1988 pledges had reached \$557,000. This amount included one from First Presbyterian Church of Gastonia for \$45,000, one from First Presbyterian Church of Belmont, North Carolina, for \$15,000, and a redevelopment grant of \$80,000 from the Concord Presbytery.

The first meeting of Presbytery of Western North Carolina at Morganton, North Carolina, was held on January 7, 1989.

West Avenue Presbyterian Church was incorporated March 5, 1989. All active members of the church would be members of the corporation and be eligible for election as trustees. The trustees would manage the church property, but could not infringe upon the authority of the session of the church.

The church escaped severe damage from Hurricane Hugo on September 22, 1989, even though the hurricane caused great damage throughout the city and county.

A groundbreaking celebration was held on Christmas Eve Day 1989 to signify the beginning of construction on the Family Life Center and new sanctuary entrance. (The actual construction began in January 1990. During the site preparation for the parking lot, an underground fuel oil tank was discovered. This had to be removed, as well as its contents and the surrounding contaminated soil.)



GROUNDBREAKING - FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Three men gripping shovel: Left to right - James "Jim" Stewart of Stewart Cooper Architects, Hugh Pursley - Chairman of the "Venture in Faith" Campaign & Jim Ferguson - Chairman of the Building Comittee

The 1990 census population for Gastonia was 54,732. The church membership in that year was 201 and the Sunday School was 116.

The music program continued to be important to the church. For example, the West Avenue Singers group was formed and the new Presbyterian Hymnals were purchased.

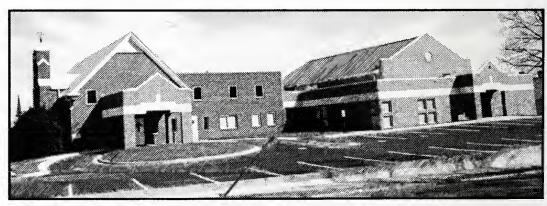


THE ORIGINAL WEST AVENUE SINGERS

-1st Row - Bil Hildebrand, David Bailey, Kelly Blum, -2nd Row - Tim Huffstetler, Dennis Godfrey and Jim Ferguson

Wednesday Night Supper and Program (Discovery Night) began on January 16, 1991. The programs are varied, from Bible Studies to guest speakers from many different organizations. The Fall Festival and Christmas Children's Party are especially enjoyed by West Avenue members and their friends, families and neighbors.

Another important event of 1991 occurred on Sunday, May 19. This "Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving" marked the completion of the Family Life Center and new sanctuary entrance. New carpet and pew cushions had also been installed in the sanctuary. The total cost for the construction and renovations was approximately \$775,000. Dr. Jack Robinson, the former minister, preached the sermon. The service was attended by members, visitors and special guests.



NEW FACILITIES

A special program, the Bill and Polly Spencer Enrichment Series, was established in April 1992 by their son's family. This is an educational and spiritual renewal program.

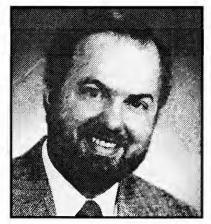
Dr. Bailey resigned from West Avenue Presbyterian to become pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Dunn, North Carolina, on December 31, 1992. During his pastorate, Dr. Bailey had taken part in community projects. His first one was with Crisis Assistance Ministry, a nonprofit organization that provides food and clothing to the needy. He later served as president of that organization. He was one of the organizers of Gaston County's CROP walk (a worldwide relief agency), the Salvation Army's Homeless Day Shelter, and the Gaston County's Habitat for Humanity program. As stated in the *Gaston Observer* (a section of the *Charlotte Observer* newspaper), when Dr. Bailey retired from the ministry he wanted it to be remembered "that I served God the best I could with the gifts He gave me." Dr. Bailey and his wife, Claire Montgomery, have three children, Erin, Allison and John. Dr. Bailey is presently pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Anderson, South Carolina.

The Pulpit Nominating Committee elected to locate a new pastor was: Mike Daniels, Jim Ferguson, Roland Lanier, Mollie Trosper, Paula Wallace. Rev. Will Terry served again as the interim pastor.

Rev. Dr. Gary Dean Cecil's Pastorate 1993 – 2000

Dr. Cecil came to West Avenue Presbyterian Church in October 1993

from the First Presbyterian Church in Grand Forks, North Dakota, where he was an associate pastor. He was the eleventh minister for West Avenue Presbyterian Church. He is a native of Bluefield, West Virginia. Rev. Cecil graduated from King College in Bristol, Tennessee, in 1978. He graduated from Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, in 1984 with a Doctor of Ministry. Dr. Cecil was ordained July 15, 1984, by Pittsburgh Presbytery. In



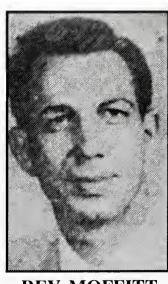
a *Charlotte Observer* (the Gaston section) interview in 1993, Rev. Cecil said, "I believe we're about the task of building bridges ... because Christ is truly the

bridge between us." He also said he "believe[d] in upholding people's dignity in the image of God..." In 1996 he walked in the "Marietta Men and Boys March", an event to support the unity of the Highland neighborhood in Gastonia. While at West Avenue, Rev. Cecil wrote his first theology book, *God Is Able: Rediscovering the Power of God-Centered Faith in a Self-Centered Culture*. In a newspaper article he thanked the congregation for "providing him the inspiration and literary freedom to write" the book.

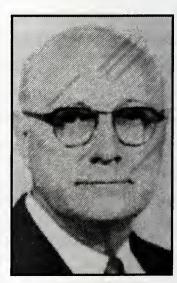
A first time experience for West Avenue Presbyterian Church was the ordination of Lou Ann Sellers on July 30, 1995. Rev. Sellers stated in The Gaston Gazette she "wanted to be ordained in my own church because these people certainly supported me throughout my life... and were the building blocks that helped guide me into using the gifts that I have been given." She is the daughter of Charles and Sylvia Sellers, longtime and faithful members of the church, and grew up in West Avenue where she was active in the youth and Sunday School programs. Rev. Sellers graduated from Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in 1988 and Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, in 1994 with a Master of Divinity. She served as a chaplain at North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, for a year and then was ordained to the ministry. Rev. Sellers is presently serving as an associate pastor at the Luter Church in A total of four members of West Avenue Duisburg, Germany. Presbyterian Church have become ministers. The others were Rev. C. G. Lynch, Rev. J. L. Shannon, and Rev. Harold Moffitt.



REV. SELLERS



REV. MOFFITT



REV. LYNCH

Other events of 1995 included the following: the Hardy P. Beal Scholarship fund was established, the Clean City Award was received, and the new Revised Standard Bibles were purchased and placed in the hymn book rack in the sanctuary pews. In December of that year, just eight years after the "Venture in Faith" Building Campaign had been initiated to remodel and expand the church facility, the congregation burned the mortgage note.

At a meeting on September 29, 1996, the congregation voted to renovate the basement area of the church with a capital-fund drive of \$50,000. When completed there would be four additional rooms for adult meetings, elementary Sunday School classes, and a practice/storage room for the hand-bell choir.

The Family Life Center continued to be an active place for church and community events. Some of the activities were: a dinner theater, special olympics for several age groups, wedding receptions, YMCA basketball games, church/guest volleyball games, community dinners, adult special education classes, Head Start, Boys & Girls Clubs, literacy classes, tutoring, Crisis Assistance Ministry meetings, preschool screening, inoculation clinics and interagency council meetings.

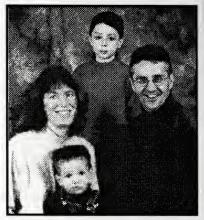
Also in 1996, plans were being considered to develop the historic Firestone Fibers & Textiles Company's main building (the closed portion) into a residential and commercial complex. (In October 2001 the Loray/Firestone Mill and former village became a part of the National Register of Historic Places. This national designation makes it possible for Preservation North Carolina to remodel the mill into apartments, condominiums, shops and more. If this occurs it may affect the membership of West Avenue.)

Dr. Cecil, who is married to Sheila Palmer, resigned from the church on November 30, 2000, to go to the Palms West Presbyterian Church in West Palm Beach, Florida.

A Pulpit Nominating Committee was elected and composed of David Cloninger, Mollie Trosper, Dennis Turlington, Paula Wallace and Larry Zill.

The Rev. Graham William Crawford was employed as full-time interim pastor, effective February 2001. He was born in Edinburgh,

Scotland, on May 11, 1964. He graduated from the University of Wales College of Swansea in 1985. Rev. Crawford received his Bachelor of Divinity from New College in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1989 and from the Union Theological Seminary in New York, in 1990 with the Masters in Sacred Theology. At the Friendfield Presbyterian Church in Georgetown, South Carolina, he was ordained and installed on October 13, 1992. He served there and at Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church



REV. CRAWFORD AND FAMILY

in Charlotte, NC, before deciding to serve as an intentional interim pastor. Prior to coming to West Avenue Presbyterian, Rev. Crawford was an interim pastor at Unity Presbyterian Church in Denver, North Carolina.

While serving the church, Rev. Crawford was instrumental in organizing a mission task force to consider the future of West Avenue Presbyterian. He initiated the idea of a smaller session, since it would be more compatible with the number of church members. (The congregation did approve on August 18, 2002, to reduce the number of session members from fifteen to twelve.) Rev. Crawford started the Thursday Lunch Bible Study. He helped the Gaston County Interfaith Hospitality Network, Inc., to become a reality. This program, with the commitment of several interfaith congregations, would provide shelter, meals, and assistance for homeless families. The church offered its facility for a day center and administrative offices.

Rev. Crawford is married to Jane Hall, a medical doctor, and they have two young sons, Jamie and Thomas. On January 5, 2003, Rev. Crawford accepted a call to St. James Parish Church, Lossiemouth, Scotland.

The census for the year 2000 revealed Gastonia had a population of 66,277. There are six Presbyterian Churches (USA) in the city. At West Avenue Presbyterian, membership was 143 and Sunday School enrollment was 85.

Rev. Dr. Charles William Davenport 2002 -

The congregation of West Avenue Presbyterian Church voted on

October 20, 2002, to accept the Pulpit Nominating Committee's choice of Dr. Charles Davenport as the twelfth minister of the church. His pastorate began December 1, 2002, which was the first Sunday of Advent. In his sermon, "Something Is About to Happen," Dr. Davenport said that with Advent there was a "sense of anticipation of something about to happen." It was "a new beginning... for a journey together." He stated that he had come to West Avenue to work with the members,



not for them, and to do God's work. He believes the mission of the "church is to convince the world that God has not given up on it."

Dr. Davenport was born in Williamston, South Carolina on November 7, 1953. He graduated from Lander University, Greenwood, South Carolina, in 1974 and Erskine Theological Seminary, Erskine, South Carolina, in 1978. He received the Doctor of Ministry degree from Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, in 1983. Dr. Davenport has been a minister in the Presbyterian Church for twenty-four years. His pastorates have been at the Warrenton Presbyterian Church, Abbeville, South Carolina, Long Creek Presbyterian Church, Bessemer City, North Carolina, Wallace Presbyterian Church, Wallace, North Carolina, and First Presbyterian Church in Forest City, North Carolina. He also taught at the Isothermal Community College in Spindale, North Carolina. A commission of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina installed Dr. Davenport as pastor of West Avenue on March 16, 2003.

Dr. Davenport came well suited for work at West Avenue. He has a passion for teaching, preaching, pastoral care and visitation. Listening is one of his assets, as well as a sense of humor. As part of his passion for community change, Dr. Davenport has worked in the creation and oversight of Interfaith Hospitality Network, a program to assist homeless families in Gaston County. This program began in September 2003. A gifted teacher, he has shared that skill with the community college system for fifteen

years. He teaches Old Testament at Gaston College. As a reflection of our connectional church, Dr. Davenport chaired the examinations committee of the Presbytery. He served as a commissioner to the 2004 General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and will serve again in 2006.

Dr. Davenport and his wife, Betty Wyatt, have three children, Bryan, Jason, and Carrie. Mrs. Davenport served as Christian Educator for Children and Youth at Long Creek Presbyterian Church in Kings Mountain, North Carolina and Interim Director of Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church in Cherryville, North Carolina.

Leila Evans was installed as a Commissioned Lay Pastor on Sunday, August 17, 2003. In addition to her duties as Director of Choir, Leila served as Associate of Pastoral Care and liaison to Hispanic Ministries. She completed the two-year Commission of Lay Pastors Study program in May 2001. In February 2002, Leila began the six-

year Master of Divinity program in Charlotte, North Carolina, through Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia.

Another important event occurred on August 17, 2003. A confirmation class began for the youth of the church. The class attended thirty-three sessions, which took place during the church-school hour. Each student was paired with a session member sponsor. Dr. Davenport and Larry Zill provided the instruc-



LEILA EVANS

tion. The students were introduced to prayer, Bible study, Sacraments, missions, church history, Presbyterian Polity and worship practices. The ten members were: Ana Castano, Sarah Carithers, Maggie Cloninger, Andres Cortes, Karol Cortes, Sonni Gibson, Jennifer Grissom, Zach Grissom, Stephanie Haynes, and Jake Parsons.

During the year 2004 the congregation had an opportunity for varied activities, which included the Jewish Seder Supper, a live concert, covered dish meals, spiritual formation groups, and the one-day Family Retreat at Bethelwoods Presbyterian Conference Center. Pictures were taken for a new church directory and a new hymnal supplement, *Sing the Faith*, was dedicated.

The Youth of the church had a busy year with their activities of hiking, fellowship suppers, bowling, and a pool party. The communicants' class was received as members in April. To further the Youth ministry, Jenei Rankin was employed for twenty hours a week in July as Director of Youth and Children's Ministry.

Carrie Davenport, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Davenport, was commissioned in August by the Presbytery and West Avenue Presbyterian for a one-year commitment to be a homeland missionary in Seattle, Washington.

Becky Carithers, Totsie Foy, Harry Groves, and George Ratchford were ordained and installed as elders of the class of 2007 in November.

The church continues its community involvement with the Interfaith Hospitality Network by being a "host" church. This means that, periodically for a week, the church is a shelter for as many as fifteen homeless persons. During this week, the congregations of Long Creek, Lowell, New Hope, Olney, and Union Presbyterian Churches, and also some members of the First Presbyterian Church help West Avenue to provide the food.

Loray Baptist Church and West Avenue shared a Thanksgiving meal and worship service on November 24, 2004. This shared service was a first-time event. West Avenue served the meal. Dr. Davenport conducted the worship service at Loray Baptist.

Another event in the Loray area is the planned redevelopment of the Firestone Mill. Since 2001 it has been on the list of National Register of Historic Places, and Gastonia and Gaston County have agreed to lease part of the mill for a term of ten years. The first occupant of the building will be the Piedmont Charter High School. The redeveloped mill will also contain two hundred apartments. This is a great opportunity for the ministry of West Avenue.

Our church continues to provide the spiritual nourishment and fellowship for its congregation through its various programs and activities. The adult choir, children's choir, West Avenue Singers and the Hand Bells provide the music ministry of the church.



HANDBELL CHOIR

-1st Row - L to R - Judy Daniels, Gail Haynes, Kristy Cloninger, Maggie Cloninger, Paula Wallace

-2nd Row - L to R - Dennis Godfrey, Cheryl Ratchford, Leila Evans - Director, Philip Ratchford, David Cloninger

Not pictured - Stephanie Haynes, Connie Hildebrand and Todd Hoyle



SANCTUARY CHOIR WITH YOUTH

-1st Row - L to R - Dalton Hoyle, Sarah Carithers, Kelsey Carithers

-2nd Row - Myra Taylor - Organist, Shelby Ferguson, Connie Hildebrand, Stephanie Haynes, Johnnie Reid, Leila Evans - Choir Director

-3rd Row - Julie Blum, Pam Parsons, Becky Carithers

-4th Row - Dennis Godfrey, Philip Ratchford, Grant Callaway, Bill Hildebrand, Kelly Blum Not pictured - Adults: Pat Blum, David Cloninger, Kristy Cloninger, Louise Keener and Charles Sellers

Youth: Kit Cloninger, Maggie Cloninger, Sonni Gibson and Grant Stafford

There are three adult Sunday School classes – Horizon, Celebrate Life, Uniform – and four youth classes. There is a weekly Bible Study and Discovery Night, a bi-monthly dinner and program. The groups that meet monthly are the Men of the Church, two women's circles, the Ladies' Sharing Group and the Forever Young Senior Citizens. The annual programs include the Christmas Dinner, Hymn-Sing and Ice Cream Social, Easter Sunrise Service on Crowders Mountain and the church followed with a breakfast, and the one-day family retreat at the Bethelwoods Presbyterian Conference Center.

The church facility is used for community affairs, including English/Spanish classes, Life Skills for Hispanics, and the American Red Cross Blood Drive.



KAY ZEIMER INSTRUCTS A SPANISH CLASS AT WEST AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ON TUESDAY NIGHTS.

Church members continue their volunteer participation in the Crisis Assistance Ministry, American Red Cross Blood donors, Meals-on-Wheels, Cornerstone Ministries, Angel Tree at Christmas, the Presbytery mission trip to Mexico, Gaston County Interfaith Hospitality Network, and as Reading Tutors.

Over the ninety-seven years, West Avenue Presbyterian Church's congregation has seen many changes in the city of Gastonia, the surrounding area of the church, the structure of the facility, and the government of the church. Our church has 156 members who live in various parts of Gastonia and also in Belmont, Bessemer City, Dallas, and Mt. Holly. The present congregation looks forward to the future with God's guidance.



CONGREGATION OF WEST AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2004

MINISTERS - STATED SUPPLY - INTERIMS

Rev. Alfred Scott Anderson

Rev. Anderson was the first pastor at West Avenue Presbyterian Church (originally Loray Presbyterian). He served from Sept. 15, 1907, to July 15, 1912.

Interim Pastor - Rev. W. C. Whitener

Student Pastor - A. J. Satterfield

Rev. Kenneth Alexander Campbell

Rev. Campbell served from August 1, 1913, to March 14, 1915.

Rev. William Jefferson Roach

Rev. Roach served as stated supply from September 1915 to February 1916 when he became the full time pastor. He resigned on January 22, 1920.

Rev. Roswell Curtis Long

Dr. Long began in August 1920. He resigned September 9, 1923. During his pastorate the church name was changed from Loray Presbyterian Church to West Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Rev. James Thompson Pharr

Rev. Pharr served from September 30, 1923, to April 1, 1925.

Rev. Robert Junius Hunter

Rev. Hunter began his service in September 1925 and served until May 1, 1940.

Rev. Wilton Cook Neel

Rev. Neel served from September 24, 1940, to September 15, 1955.

Supply Pastor - Rev. Dr. Charles M. Boyd served from September 1955 to January 1956.

Rev. David Fairley Blue, Jr.

Rev. Blue served from January 22, 1956, until January 15, 1964.

Supply Pastors from January 1964 until June 1964 were local ministers.

Rev. Dr. Jack Clayton Robinson

Dr. Robinson served from June 7, 1964, to November 30, 1981. Interim Pastor - Rev. Will Terry served from December 1981 to June 1982.

Rev. Dr. David John Bailey

Dr. Bailey served from July 1, 1982, to December 31, 1992. Interim Pastor - Rev. Will Terry served from December, 1992, to October, 1993.

Rev. Dr. Gary Dean Cecil

Dr. Cecil served from October, 1993, to November, 2000. Interim Pastor - Rev. Graham Crawford served from November, 2000, to December, 2002.

Rev. Dr. Charles William Davenport

Dr. Davenport began his service on December 1, 2002.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Women have made many contributions to the life and ministry of West Avenue Presbyterian Church from the very beginning. During the pastorate of The Rev. Alfred S. Anderson (1907-1912), a Ladies' Missionary and Aid Society was organized.

In 1921 the Society was organized into the Women's Auxiliary with four circles. Mrs. A. H. Crawford was the first president of the Auxiliary. Meetings were held after church on the first Sunday of the month. Finding this time unsatisfactory, the meeting date was changed to the first Monday of the month. In 1926 the organization found that circle meetings based on convenient times for its members would encourage attendance and activity. In 1928 a Business Girls Circle was formed which met in the evening.

In 1962 the name for the Women's Auxiliary was changed to Women of the Church and in 1987 the organization changed its named to Presbyterian Women.

In 1958 Dorothy Jane Spencer was appointed a missionary to Japan for the Presbyterian Church; she is the first person from West Avenue to serve as a missionary. At times the women collected articles which were not easily found in Japan and sent them to her. Her work on the mission field was that of an educator.

On October 8, 1967, Mrs. Myrtle Bradley Collette was the first woman elected as a deacon at West Avenue and in 1969 was elected as the first woman elder. Mrs. Bertie Keener was the second woman to be elected a deacon on January 26, 1969.

The Women's Auxiliary/Women of the Church have sponsored a Girl Scout Troop, a Brownie Scout Troop (1958) and a 4-H Club at West Avenue.

In 1972 the Women of the Church published a cookbook, which sold for fifty cents. Two other cookbooks have since been published. Women have been instrumental in assisting with the three church directories published for members.

From the beginning, the women's groups have provided financial support for causes locally and globally. The following list indicates the scope of their activities on behalf of the needy in the community and the world:

- White Cross: Donations of bandages, baby layettes, clothing for children, blankets, assistance to migrant workers, money to help with the cost of shipping these items.
- Meals on Wheels: In 1973 the Women of the Church voted to donate \$12.50 per week to aid this program. Several women from West Avenue were among the volunteers who helped prepare and deliver these meals to the homebound in the community.
- Visits have been made to the County Home, to the prison, to rest homes in the community, clothing and food have been provided to needy families, clothing and blankets have been sent through Church World Service, old Christmas cards have been sent to missionaries for projects, and gifts have been sent to Broughton Hospital patients at Christmas.
- West Avenue women contributed part of the cost of sending a black woman to the Interdenominational Christian Conference in Winston-Salem beginning in 1938 and for a number of years thereafter. This was a joint effort with women of several other Presbyterian churches in Gastonia.
- Funds were contributed to assist Harold Moffitt while he was attending seminary.
- Women have been instrumental in providing food and funds to Crisis Assistance Ministry of Christians and Jews. Several women have volunteered at this ministry as interviewers and in the food pantry.
- Many contributions were made by the Women of the Church to Barium Springs Home for Children, including gifts of food and clothing.
- The Presbyterian Women have supported causes including the Birthday Objective, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, The Fellowship of the Least Coin and the Thank Offering. These offerings have supported benevolent causes worldwide.

- From its earliest days, the women's organization has been very active in supporting the worship and work of the church. Women have also helped to make the facility attractive using their time and talents to accomplish this goal.
- Encouraged the study of the Bible by families and involved the whole congregation in Mission Studies which were led by the minister and to which the whole church was invited.
- Participated in the World Day of Prayer services to which the churches of the neighborhood were invited and alternated hosting.
- Established a Memorial Building Fund in 1947.
- Provided volunteers to keep the nursery during worship services.
- Provided flowers for the sanctuary.
- Made and prepared the elements for communion.
- Made choir robes for the children's choirs.
- Provided a ham or a memorial to bereaved families.
- Circles throughout the years have ministered to the sick and shut-in and provided food to families during bereavement and illness.
- The women's organization has contributed to the purchase of items for the church including the following: hymnals, pulpit furniture, rugs, curtains for the Sunday School rooms, toys for the nurseries, pianos, organs, kitchen utensils and supplies, redecorated and furnished a parlor, redecorated the rest rooms, furnished the hall outside the sanctuary, and assisted in the work of the session's committees.
- The Women of the Church hosted meetings of King's Mountain Presbytery as well as Presbyterial meetings.
- For many years it was the women who planned the annual Christmas Programs and provided teachers for the Vacation Bible School.

Made all of the Chrismon symbols for the Chrismon tree.

On July 30, 1995, Lou Ann Sellers was ordained as a minister of Word and Sacrament at West Avenue Presbyterian Church. Lou Ann is the daughter of Charles and Sylvia Sellers, longtime and active members. She grew up in West Avenue and was active in the youth group and in church school programs. She was elected a youth delegate to the General Assembly meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1986. She is the first woman who was born into the fellowship of West Avenue to become an ordained minister.

The talents and resources of the women of West Avenue Presbyterian Church have been used to serve God and the community throughout its history.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Miss Myrtle Bradley (Collette)	1960
Mrs. Janie L. Spencer	1967
Mrs. Carrie Ferguson	1968
Miss Pauline Shannon	1970
Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon	1971
Mrs. Annie Torrence	1973
Mrs. Cathy Kennedy	1974
Mrs. Virginia Reinhardt	1975
Mrs. Joyce Robinson	1980
Mrs. Mary Bisanar	1982
Mrs. Idella Rhyne	1983
Mrs. Frances Shannon	1985
Mrs. Polly Spencer	1988
Mrs. Mollie Trosper	1990
Miss Irene Roberts	1992
Mrs. Sue Gillespie	1994
Mrs. Alma Grigg	1996
Mrs. Faye Lanier	1998
Mrs. Abbey Rhyne	2000
Mrs. Louise Keener	2002
Mrs. Shelby Ferguson	2004

PRESIDENTS OF THE WOMEN 1921-2004

Mrs. Lula Crawford	1921-23
Mrs. Paul Caldwell	1924, 1928-29
Mrs. Carrie Ferguson	1925, 1933-36
Mrs. Annie Hunter	1926-27
Mrs. Janie Spencer	1929-31, 1936-37,
	1942-44
Mrs. Amanda Crocker	1932
Mrs. Annie Torrence	1938-39, 1952-53,
	1964-65
Mrs. Annie Lewis	1940-41
Mrs. Myrtle Bradley(Collette)	1944-45,1949-50
	1956-57
Mrs. Odessa Spencer	1946-47, 1947-48
Mrs. Floride Neel	1950-52
Mrs. Polly Spencer	1954-55, 1957-58, 1959,
· ·	1987-88
Mrs. Virginia Young	1960-61
Mrs. Mildred Rhyne	1962-63
Mrs. Barbara Jenkins	1966, 1967-68
Mrs. Gladys Chavis	1968-69
Mrs. Mollie Trosper	1970-71, 1986-87,
•	1991-92
Mrs. Louise Keener	1972-73, 1989-90, 1994-95,
	1993
Mrs. Janet Forster	1974-75
Mrs. Pat Shannon	1976-79
Mrs. Louise Keener	
(Co-Presidents)	
Mrs. Sandra Huffstetler	1980-81
Mrs. Sylvia Sellers	1981-82, 1983, 1996
Mrs. Debbie Rhyne	1983-85
Mrs. Connie Hildebrand	1991-92
Mrs. Linda Ratchford	1992-93, 2001-02-03
Mrs. Gail Bradley	1994
Mrs. Sharon Stephens	1995
Mrs. Sharon Lanier	1997-98
Mrs. Pam Parsons	1998-99
Mrs. Judy Daniels	2000-01
Mrs. Kristen Cloninger	2003-04

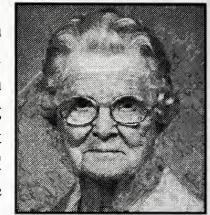
COMMUNION ELEMENTS

The preparation of the communion elements at West Avenue has been a long standing tradition. During the early years it was done by the wives of

the session members.

At some point, Mrs. Carrie Spencer Ferguson assumed the task of making the bread and juice. She made the grape juice from grapes grown in her own yard. Mrs. Ferguson continued doing this as one of her contributions to worship at West Avenue for many years. Eventually, she decided that other women should know how to make the bread, and taught some of them to do it.

The tradition of making the bread has been



MRS. CARRIE **FERGUSON**

passed down to other women in the church by those who had been taught to make it. Several classes have been held to encourage women to learn how to make the bread.



Pictured left to right: Kristy Cloninger, Paula Wallace, Margaret Houser, Faye Lanier, Shelby Ferguson, Mollie Trosper, Myra Taylor, Brenda Turlington, and Sylvia Sellers

WEST AVENUE'S COMMUNION BREAD RECIPE

1 heaping cup of plain flour 1/4 teaspoon baking powder 1/4 pound of butter (real)

2 Tablespoons sugar 1 Tablespoon milk

Mix all ingredients well by hand; add milk to make stiff dough Beat with rolling pin 200 times. Roll out on foil and cut with pastry crimper into thin strips; leave several 3-inch strips for the minister to break. Cut crosswise to make 1/4 inch squares Bake in 300 degree oven for about 20 minutes; do NOT brown Double this recipe for our communion

MEN OF THE CHURCH

The Men of the Church organization was first mentioned during Rev. Roswell Long's pastorate (1920-1923) in a booklet, *The West Avenue Presbyterian Church "The Fellowship Book."* It stated that all men of the church belonged to the Fellowship Bible Class, which had more than 100 men on its roll, and that 25 of those men in The Fellowship Club had pledged to carry out the plans of the minister.

Session records do not record the men's activities and weekly church bulletins were not kept prior to 1940. The church bulletins for 1940-1942 listed no scheduled meetings. There is a note on May 18, 1943, that the pastor, Rev. W. C. Neel, discussed with the men "the work men can be doing in the church."

There were no meetings scheduled in 1944. In 1945 there were several Men's Fellowship Suppers and a Fellowship Supper was noted on December 10, 1946. No men's meetings were recorded from 1947-1956.

The Men's Fellowship was reorganized in the spring of 1957 after The Rev. David Blue became pastor and was active through 1971. During the sixties and early seventies a group of 25 to 40 men and women attended the Synod Men's Conference in Montreat. The men also attended the Kings Mountain Presbytery rallies.

A Synod reorganization in 1972 merged Kings Mountain Presbytery with other presbyteries in the area to form Concord Presbytery. West Avenue's men's organization was inactive from 1971-1982.

The men's programs and projects have varied through the years with many of the projects related to upkeep of the buildings and grounds. The meetings usually begin with dinner prepared by women of the church followed by a program. Programs, provided by invited speakers, are designed for education and community awareness.

Presently, The Men of the Church organization is active and the attendance is 15-30 members.

PRESIDENTS OF THE MEN

1957	H. F. Hogue
1958	Ted Manning
1959	M. B. Hunter
1960	Harold Moffitt
1961	Roland Lanier
1962	Larry Kennedy
1963	Melvin Young
1964	Bill Spencer
1965	L. D. Ogburn
1966	George Gillespie
1967	Jim Ferguson
1968	Charles Sellers
1969	Larry Kennedy
1970	Roland Lanier
1971	Organization inactive through 1982
1983	Charles Sellers
1984	Charles Sellers
1985	Jim Ratchford
1986	Roger Carithers
1987	Roger Carithers
1988	Mike Daniels
1989	Tim Huffstetler
1990	Bill Spencer
1991	Jim Ferguson
1992	Guy Wallace
1993	Guy Wallace
1994	Inactive
1995	Charles Sellers
1996	Jim Ferguson
1997	Jim Ferguson
1998	Roland Lanier
1999	Bob Blum
2000	Bob Blum
2001	Inactive
2002	Roland Lanier
2003	Charles Sellers

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Through the years our youth have had many advisors. Listed below are the advisors that have enjoyed working with our youth. The dates of the years served may not be exact but according to our records, these are most of the advisors.

Prior to 1940 we could not find any record of a youth group or advisors, but beginning in 1940 these were our youth advisors.

1940-1950	Miss Myrtle Bradley (Collette)
1951-1953	Miss Myrtle Bradley (Collette) and Miss Becky Spencer
1954-1958	Miss Dorothy Spencer and Miss Louise McClure
1959	Mrs. W. S. Spencer, Jr.
1960-1964	Mr. & Mrs. W. S. Spencer, Jr.
1965	Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Pursley
1966	Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wallace and Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Adams
1967	Mr. & Mrs. Paul Faris and Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Queen
1968	Mr. & Mrs. Roland Lanier and Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Queen
1969	Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wallace and Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Queen
1970-1972	Mr. & Mrs. Roland Lanier and Rev. & Mrs. Jack Robinson
1973-1975	Mr. & Mrs. Ken Jimison
1976-1977	Mr. & Mrs. Ken Jimison and Mr. & Mrs. Ric Jenkins
1978-1979	Mr. & Mrs. David Lanier
1980	Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wallace and Rev. & Mrs. Jack Robinson
1981	Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Spencer and Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wallace
1982	Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wallace
1983	Mr. & Mrs. Guy Wallace and Miss Cindy Stowe

1984	Mr. & Mrs. Vann Lanier and Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Bradley
1985	Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Bradley and Mr. & Mrs. Vann Lanier
1986-1990	Miss Irene Roberts, Director of Christian Education
1991	Mr. & Mrs. Bill Hildebrand and Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Rhyne
1992-2000	No Youth Advisors named
2001-2002	Mr. & Mrs. Scott Bradley
2003	Mr. & Mrs. Brian Turlington (Youth) Mr. & Mrs. Scott Bradley (Children)
2004	Mrs. Jenei Rankin

The youth group was organized in 1940 but no advisor was listed. However, Myrtle Bradley (Collette) was the advisor for the next nine years. At the time of its organization there were twenty-five very active members. During these years, the youth attended the Spring Youth Rallies at Montreat and also attended other church denominations to learn of their worship, studied other religions and had a speaker from The Religious Education Synod of N. C. During Myrtle Bradley's leadership they led morning worship services in observance of the General Assembly's Youth Sunday and had youth night services.

In 1953 the youth changed their name to the Senior High Fellowship. During this year they bought a lighted outdoor bulletin board for the front of the church, led Thanksgiving and Christmas programs, had a youth choir and joined other churches for junior choir festivals.

In 1959 the youth presented the church with a silver communion service (five trays for serving wine and two silver bread plates) in honor of Dorothy Spencer. Dorothy was a former youth advisor who left to become an Education Missionary, Canadian Academy, Kobe, Japan. She was the only member of West Avenue to go to the World Missionary field. During this year the youth attended a Crusade for Christ in Shelby, N. C., which concluded with a religious drama. They collected a special offering for the Barium Springs orphanage and gave clothes to the Church World Service.

In 1963 Linda Faris, a Senior High Fellowship member, attended as a delegate to the North American Reform and Presbyterian Youth Assembly held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.

In 1984 attorney Jessie Caldwell spoke to our youth group on Capital Punishment. Also in this year Linda Keener was elected to serve as Concord Presbytery's youth advisory delegate to the General Assembly in Phoenix, Arizona. Linda served as a summer youth camp counselor at Camp Grier, Old Fort, North Carolina.

In 1986 Lou Ann Sellers was elected to serve as Concord Presbytery's youth advisory delegate to the General Assembly in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Lou Ann served as a summer youth camp counselor at Camp Grier, Old Fort, North Carolina.

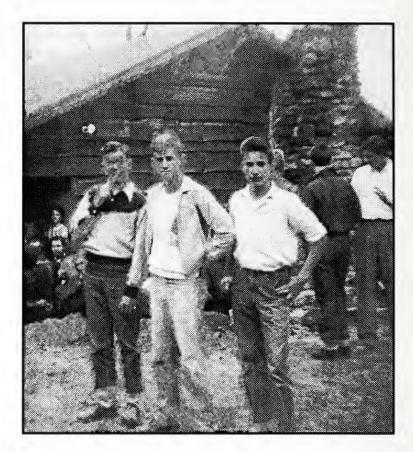
In 1987 Sonya Wallace of West Avenue Presbyterian Church and other youth from the Presbytery of Western North Carolina churches attended the Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana.

In 1988 Nancy Sellers was elected to serve as Presbytery of Western North Carolina's youth advisory delegate to the General Assembly in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

In 1990 Sonya Wallace and the youth from Brevard - Davidson River Presbyterian Church, Brevard, North Carolina, went on a mission trip to Jamaica and led a Vacation Bible School in a small village outside of Montego Bay.

From July 1991 - July 1992 Sonya Wallace was the Moderator of the Synod of Mid-Atlantic Youth Council, Richmond, Virginia, at which time she planned and directed a youth retreat for the five state Synod. Also in 1992 Sonya Wallace was elected to serve as Presbytery of Western North Carolina's youth advisory delegate to the General Assembly in Baltimore, Maryland, and also served as a summer youth counselor and lifeguard at Camp Grier, Old Fort, North Carolina.

During their college years Mike Ferguson and Alec Wallace volunteered at Camp Grier for counselor for a week.



YOUTH GROUP BEAR WALLA - circa 1953 L to R - Richard Reinhardt, Gene Shannon & Dan Shannon

Each Easter our youth group and some parents climb Crowders Mountain for an early morning Sunrise Service and then return to the church for a delicious breakfast with other members of the congregation who are unable to make it to the mountain. Other activities the youth have done over the years include outings to the Kings Mountain Battle Grounds and going to youth camps each year at Bear Walla and Camp Grier. Listed below are various activities that youth have participated in over the years.

- Cookouts, swimming parties, boat rides, water skiing and bowling events
- Trips to Charlotte, NC, to the Ice Capades ice skating at Eastland Mall and attending Paramount's Carowinds Amusement Park
- Led worship services on many occasions and served as ushers for morning worship
- Visited Assisted Living Centers to play Bingo with senior citizens

- Attended Schiele Museum for the program "The Genesis Chronicle"
- "Gong Talent Show" and spaghetti dinner
- Collected monies for the March of Dimes and the Crop Walk
- Attended the John Paul concert at First Presbyterian Church in Statesville
- Attended a concert in Morganton
- Programs on drugs, grooming and dating
- Program on Death and Dying entitled "Though I Walk Through the Valley"
- Took a tour of Carothers Funeral Home
- Overnight tubing trip in West Jefferson, North Carolina
- Distributed brochures in the church neighborhood regarding church's latch key program
- Donated funds to the Crisis Assistance Ministry after having a "Slave Labor" day
- Numerous car washes and bake sales to raise money for beach trips
- Attended Union Presbyterian Church to hear "The New Vibrations"
- Attended the Gatlinburg Youth Mission Conference with our minister, Dr. David Bailey
- Made health bags with soap and wash towels to send to Medical Benevolence Foundation
- Made Epiphany Stars for all church members
- Junior High and Afternoon Delight programs
- Children's moments for ages 5 6 7 began during morning worship service
- Hunger lock-ins
- Attended Presbytery of Western North Carolina retreat entitled "One In The Spirit"
- Junior Highs made Christian Banner for the church
- Junior Highs decorated the church for a Halloween party for all church members
- Children have an annual Easter egg hunt

- Each year the youth have a very successful Vacation Bible School for youth of all ages
- Family Game Nights; also visited games of Charlotte Checkers and Charlotte Knights
- Collected Souper Bowl offerings with soup and salads lunch
- Shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse
- Painted church sign; maintained supplies for our sanctuary



YOUTH GROUP AT MYRTLE BEACH - 1971

L to R - Teresa Houser, David Lanier, Bryce Pursley, Rick Jenkins, Roland Lanier (Advisor), Rusty Wright & Beth Robinson



YOUTH GROUP AT WORK - 2001

L to R -Becky Carithers (Leader), Whitley Griggs, Stephanie Walters, Philip Ratchford, Maggie Cloninger, Jami Grissom (Leader), Kit Cloninger & Sara Carithers

GIRL SCOUTS

The first Girl Scout troop in the United States was organized by Juliette Low in Savannah, Georgia in 1912. Though the movement

swept many parts of the country in a short time, there is no record of Girl Scouting in Gastonia until 1921 when the first troop was formed by Miss Blanche Heiserman. In 1923 Mrs. C.C. Harmon was instrumental in persuading Miss Jensie Underwood, a teacher at Abernathy School, to form a troop at the school. Miss Sudie Bradley, a member of West Avenue, evidently belonged to one of these troops. Several pictures of Miss Bradley and others in their Scout uniforms have been found. There were no dates on the pictures, but it is estimated that the date would be 1923 or 1924.



SUDIE BRADLEY

There are no records to support that there was a Girl Scout troop at West Avenue until 1940. In the church bulletin of October 27, 1940, there is a notice that the Girl Scouts would meet at 6:00 pm. The Women's Auxiliary sponsored the Girl Scout troop. During World War II various groups met on Wednesday night, including the Girl Scouts.

Although our records show that the Girl Scouts and Brownie troops had meetings at West Avenue, the Girl Scout's history from the Gastonia Girl Scout office is limited. The only records obtained from them are as follows:

1959 Leader: Mrs. Jennie Bradley

Brownie Troop #16

1960 Leader: Mrs. Charlotte Whitesides

1965-66 Leader: Mrs. Barbara Baity Junior Troop #36

There have been many more Girl Scout leaders in the life of West Avenue, but our records do not list the names and activities of the troops.

BOY SCOUTS

West Avenue Presbyterian Church's Session minutes of December 20, 1921 records that the Boy Scouts of America were endorsed by the Session. The first application for a Troop Charter was dated September 7, 1923. Boy Scouts of America assigned Troop No. 4 to the troop. The first Scoutmaster was Rev. James Thompson Pharr. Rev. Pharr was West Avenue's fifth pastor. The Boy Scouts of America's records shows that Troop 4 was assigned to West Avenue through September 1928. Beginning in September 1928, the Troop was assigned to the First Baptist Church in Gastonia. Arthur Thorpe had been the Scoutmaster at West Avenue from 1925 through 1928 and remained the scoutmaster when the Troop was assigned to The First Baptist Church in 1928. It appears that West Avenue did not have a troop from September 1928 through December 1934. Another application to the Boy Scouts of America for a new charter was approved on December 8, 1934, and was assigned Troop No. 20. Melvin Young was the Scoutmaster. Troop No. 20 was active from 1934 until December 13, 1942.

Troop No. 20 moved from West Avenue to Northside Presbyterian Church on December 13, 1942, and remained active at Northside until May 1948. Troop No. 20 was reassigned to West Avenue on February 14, 1949, and remained active until 1962. However, many of our youth have attended scout troops at other locations since that time.

Some of the activities recorded on the annual renewal application forms included the following:

- 1924 Demonstrations before Gastonia and Charlotte Rotary Clubs; 10 days in Boy Scouts camp at Mountain Island Lake; and two days spent at Gaston County fairs.
- 1925 Five scouts helped to remove furniture from a house on fire; put up posters for revival meeting; and helped fight forest fires.
- 1926 Won two council field days; attended as a troop six different church services; several patrols visited three hospitals; sold carnations for war mothers and had four Eagle Scouts; four more Eagle Scouts at next court of honor. (Boy Scouts of America records did not list names of these Eagle Scouts.)

In reviewing the annual renewal certificates of the Boy Scouts of America, the above listed years were the only times that activities were recorded. Also, while researching the Boy Scouts of America records, we were not able to identify any scouts from Troop 4 or 20 who had received the Eagle rating. However several members of West Avenue did receive the Eagle Scout Award from other troops. The boys we have identified are: William Gary Glenn - Troop 4 First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, 1963; R. Vann Lanier, Jr. - Troop 11 First Presbyterian Church, 1971 and David Rhinehart - Troop 11, First Presbyterian Church, 1987.

Many of West Avenue's scouts have earned the God and Country Award. We have identified: Paul Faris, Herbert Nall and Howard Kendrick, Minister - Reverend David Blue. Also, Alfred Dixon, Rick Jenkins, David Lanier, Vann Lanier and Bryce Pursley, Minister - Reverend Jack C. Robinson.



GOD AND COUNTRY AWARD

Pictured: Row One-Paul Faris and his mother, Reola Faris.
Row Two-Herbert Nall, Kelly Nall, Duke Blalock, Rev. David Blue, Howard Kendrick,
Lena Kendrick.

Row three-Lacy Nall, Elmer Faris, Rudolph M. "Bud" Schiele -Scout Executive, and Howard Kendrick, Sr.



GOD AND COUNTRY AWARD

First Row-Roy Inch Robinson Rick Inchins Bryca P

Pictured: First Row-Rev. Jack Robinson, Rick Jenkins, Bryce Pursley. Second Row-Alfred Dixon, Vann Lanier, David Lanier

DURING THE YEARS THAT SCOUTING WAS ACTIVE AT WEST AVENUE, MANY OF OUR ADULTS WERE SCOUTMASTERS AND LEADERS IN THE SCOUTING PROGRAM.

	TROOP 4
Name	Years of Leadership
Rev. James T. Pharr*	1923, 1924
Ira Hayes	1923
E. L. Lewis	1923, 1925, 1926
C. L. Spencer	1923, 1927, 1928
H. W. Counts	1924
J. W. Strout	1924, 1925, 1926
Arthur Thorpe*	1925 through 1928
M. L. Shannon	1925-1928
R. J. Hunter	1927, 1928

Number of Scouts in Troop 4

<u>1923</u>	<u>1924</u>	<u> 1925</u>	<u>1926</u>	<u>1927</u>	<u>1928</u>
27	36	35	45	35	35
					*denotes Scoutmaster

TROOP 20

Years of Leadership
1936-1942
1936, 1938
1934
1934-1942
1934, 1935, 1937, 1938
1934
1935
1935, 1936
1936, 1937, 1940
1936, 1937
1936, 1937
1937-1940
1938
1939, 1940, 1941
1939, 1940
1939, 1940
1939, 1940
1939-1940
1941
1941
1941, 1942
1942
1942

During the years of 1943-1948 no scout troops were recorded.

The following list starts with year 1949.

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George Gillespie, Jr.	1950-1953
A. C. Vickers	1949-1952
Rev. W. C. Neel	1949-1955
Thomas E. Huffstetler*	1949
R. F. Kenley	1949
Harry Hanna	1949-1953
Ray E. Crawford	1949
A. P. Shannon	1950, 1951
James R. Thomas	1951
Ray E. Crawford*	1950-1951

A. P. Shannon 1950, 1951

James R. Thomas 1951

Ray E. Crawford* 1950-1951

Otho Chambers 1952, 1953, 1954

Bruce M. Sanborn* 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955

W. R. Mayberry 1952

Elmer W. Faris 1953-1958

Howard Kendrick 1954-1960

Lacy R. Nall 1954-1961

Austin J. Simpson* 1954, 1955, 1956

R. E. Dixon 1955, 1956

Rev. David Blue, Jr. 1956-1961

W. D. Blalock 1956-1959

Kenneth Scott 1956

Robert E. Kenley 1957, 1958

W. S. Spencer, Jr. 1957, 1958, 1959

Charles Heavner 1957, 1958

Hardy P. Beal 1957, 1958, 1959

Thomas R. Sipe 1957, 1958, 1959

Howard Martin 1959

J. Roy Whitesides* 1959

Holland Lewis 1960, 1961

Walton Shetley 1960 Don Spencer 1960

George Brown 1960, 1961 W. D. Blalock* 1960, 1961

Joe Kirkpatrick 1961 William Glenn 1961 Dean Andrews 1961

George Gilstrap 1961

Number of Scouts in Troop 20

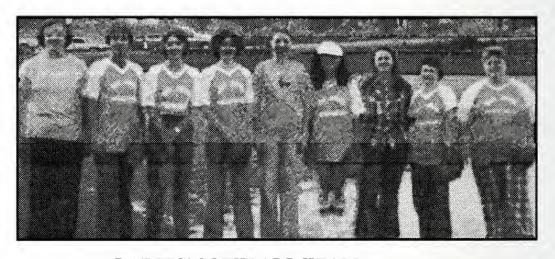
1934	1935	1936	1937	$\frac{1938}{12}$	<u>1939</u>
18	13	17	13		11
1940 13	1941 18	1942 13			
<u>1949</u>	1950	<u>1951</u>	1952	1953	1954
21	13	11	10	15	17
1955	<u>1956</u>	<u>1957</u>	1958	1959	1960
14	31	37	16	14	19
1961 17					

^{*} denotes Scoutmaster

SPORTS

West Avenue members supported both men's and women's soft-ball and volleyball teams from the early 1950's through the middle 1990's. These teams participated in leagues organized by the City Recreation Department or the YMCA. West Avenue did not have teams in the leagues every year; however, during the late 1980's and early 1990's there was more than one women's volleyball team.

Specific information about sports activities is not part of the church records; therefore, the teams' records are not available. The games were well attended by West Avenue members, and the players enjoyed participating. Win or lose, it was good fun and lots of great fellowship.



LADIES' SOFTBALL TEAM - circa 1970

L to R - Louise Jimison, Boots Stowe, Rhonda Craig, Vicky Dills,
Sheila Neesmith, Toni Paysour, Debbie Curry,
Barbara Shannon & Tina Ramsey



MEN' SOFTBALL TEAM - circa 1970's L to R - Jim Ferguson, George Ratchford, Roland Lanier, Cary Robinson, David Keener & Ronnie Sawyer

MEMORIALS

As members of West Avenue Presbyterian Church we are the heirs of those who have come before us as faithful followers of Jesus Christ. Many of these have been honored for their faithful service through memorial gifts, which have enhanced the facilities and added to the beauty of worship.

The following is a list of memorials and honorariums given by their families and by former and present members.

YEAR	<u>GIFT</u>	IN MEMORY OF
1935	Silver Baptismal Bowl	Mrs. Edgar L. Lewis
1951	Christ in Gethsemane	Rev. Alfred Scott Anderson
	Window	Katherine Morris Anderson
	Christ in Gethsemane	Mrs. Odessa P. Spencer
	Lights	
1951	Sanctuary Windows	H. W. Counts
		Hugh Jackson Shannon
		Mrs. C. A. Spencer
		Sallie Paire Bradley
		John D. Harrison
		Mrs. R. J. Hunter
		Rev. R. J. Hunter
		Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Dixon
		William Finley Bradley
		Rev. George W. Hanna
		Mrs. George W. Hanna (Honor)
1953	Brass Jardiniere	Mrs. W.S. Spencer, Sr. (Honor)
1956	Maus Cathedral Chimes	Mr. and Mrs. Caleb A. Spencer
1959	Silver Communion	Miss Dorothy Spencer (Honor)
	Service	
1960	Baptismal Font	Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Glenn
1963	Flower Stands (3)	Mrs. Reola Faris
1967	Church Library	Miss Paula Patricia Spencer
1970	Pew Cushions	Mr. Orval Wilson Collette
1971	Allen Digital Organ	Mr. Robert Alfred Ferguson

1972	Brass Altar Set	Mr. Lacy Roy Nall
1973	Pulpit Bible and Scarf	Miss Paula Patricia Spencer
1974	Tape Recorder	Miss Peggy Ann Crawford
1974	Memorial Book	Miss Peggy Ann Crawford
1976	Memorial Stand	Miss Paula Patricia Spencer
1977	Basement Fellowship Room Renovation	Miss Peggy Ann Crawford
1988	The following areas were named in	n honor or in memory of those
	listed during the addition of the Fe	llowship Center and renovations to
	the existing building.	
	Narthex	Mr. W. S. Spencer, Sr.
	Infant Nursery	Katherine Hope Ratchford (Honor)
		Hanna Elizabeth Ratchford(Honor)
	Toddler Nursery	Drew Rutledge and
		Blair Rutledge (Honor)
	New Entrance	Dr. David J. Bailey (Honor)
	Meeting Room	Dr. David J. Bailey (Honor)
	Pastor's Study	Mr. Julian B. Chavis
	Office	Mr. William F. Bradley
		Mrs. Mary Frances Howe Bradley
	Fellowship Center Entrance	Miss Paula Patricia Spencer
	Fellowship Center Furnishings	Emily B. Andrews Foundation
	Kitchen	Micki McDonald (Honor)
		Abbey Rhyne (Honor)
1991	Meeting Room Table	Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hastings(Honor)
1991	Bill and Polly Spencer Spiritual Enrichment Fund	Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Spencer, Jr. (Honor)
1992	Hardy P. Beal Scholarship Fund	Mr. Hardy P. Beal
1993	Computer	Mrs. Carrie Spencer Ferguson
1996	Casket Pall	Mrs. Annie Torrence
1998	John and Mary Bisanar Fund	Mr. John Bisanar
	~	Mrs. Mary Bisanar (Honor)
1999	Crowe House	Mr. & Mrs. Walter Crowe
2000	Parlor/Library	Miss Paula Patricia Spencer
		Mr. W. S. Spencer, Jr.
		Ladies' Sharing Group (Honor)
2001	Historical Cabinet	Mr. John Bisanar

ELDERS

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N T	Year	(System with 3 Elders in ea	ach class)
Name Name	Elected	F	1066
Bradley, W. F.	1907	Ferguson, R. A.	1966
Glenn, J. L.	1907	Kenley, W. L.	1966
Lewis, S. A.	1907	Pursley, Hugh	1966
Shannon, H. J.	1907	Lanier, Roland V.	1966
Clemmer, C. L.	1909	Shannon, Buford	1966
Spencer, C. A.	1909	Spencer, W. S., Sr.	1966
Glenn, J. L.	1911	Kenley, Robert F.	1966
Satterfield, J. A.	1912	Shannon, M. L.	1966
Counts, H. W.	1921	Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1966
Rhyne, O. L.	1921	Ferguson, Jim	1966
Spencer, C. L.	1921	Gillespie, George	1966
Harrison, J. D.	1923	Jenkins, Ernest	1966
Ferguson, R. A.	1928	Houser, Theron	1967
Shannon, M. A.	1928	Kennedy, Larry	1967
Shannon, M. L.	1928	Young, Melvin	1967
Spencer, W. S., Sr.	1928	Spencer, J. E.	1968
Harrison, J. D.	1930	Collette, Myrtle	1969
Kenley, W. L.	1946	Keener, David	1969
Pearson, G. E.	1946	Sellers, Charles	1969
Crawford, R. E.	1947	Blalock, W. D.	1970
Gamble, George	1947	Lanier, Roland V.	1970
Vickers, A. C.	1947	Pursley, Hugh	1970
Dixon, Robert	1953	Kenley, Robert F.	1971
Hogue, H. F.	1953	Spencer, A. A.	1971
Petty, R. C.	1953	Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1971
Pursley, Hugh	1956	Ferguson, Jim	1972
Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1956	Jenkins, Ernest	1972
Kenley, Robert F.	1958	Trosper, Mollie	1972
Manning, Ted	1958	Houser, Theron	1973
Houser, Theron	1961	Kennedy, Larry	1973
Lanier, Roland V.	1961	Jimison, Kenneth	1973
Kennedy, Larry	1962	Collette, Myrtle	1974
Shannon, Buford	1962	Sellers, Charles	1974
Young, Melvin	1962	Wallace, Guy A.	1974
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		Lanier, Roland V.	1975
		Lawrence, John	1975
			1975
		Torrence, Annie	17/3

Collette, Myrtle	1976	(Effective January 1984, ado	pted 3-year)
Ferguson, Jim	1976	(rotation system, 5 elders in	each class)
Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1976	Collette, Myrtle	1984
Trosper, Mollie	1976	McDonald, Mickie	1984
Forster, Janet	1976	Neesmith, George	1984
Lanier, Roland V.	1976	Sellers, Charles	1984
Pursley, Hugh	1976	Shannon, Pat	1984
Spencer, Robert E.	1976	Conn, Mike	1984
Godfrey, Dennis	1976	Houser, Theron	1984
Sellers, Sylvia	1976	Huffstetler, Tim	1984
Stockton, Earl	1976	Lanier, Vann	1984
Wallace, Guy A.	1976	Wallace, Paula H.	1984
Jenkins, Ernest	1976	Ferguson, Jim	1984
Keener, David	1976	Jimison, Kenneth	1984
Sellers, Charles	1976	Spencer, Robert E.	1984
Torrence, Annie	1976	Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1984
Shannon, Frances	1977	Trosper, Mollie	1984
Stone, Anne Evington	1977	Pruitt, Judy	1985
Houser, Theron	1977	Duren, Russell	1985
Huffstetler, Myra	1977	Forster, Janet	1985
Jimison, Kenneth	1977	Godfrey, Dennis	1985
Ferguson, Jim	1978	Lanier, David	1985
Grigg, R. C.	1978	Wallace, Guy A.	1985
Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1978	Lanier, Sharon	1986
Trosper, Mollie	1978	Blum, Bob	1986
Wallace, Paula H.	1979	Carithers, Roger	1986
Cloninger, Ronnie	1979	Collette, Myrtle	1986
Collette, Myrtle	1979	Lanier, Roland V.	1986
Pursley, Hugh	1979	Sellers, Charles	1986
Spencer, Robert E.	1979	Hildebrand, Bill	1987
Wallace, Paula H.	1980	Huffstetler, Tim	1987
Godfrey, Dennis	1980	Lanier, Sharon	1987
Lanier, David	1980	Parsons, Pam	1987
Lanier, Roland V.	1980	Ratchford, Jim	1987
Wallace, Guy A.	1980	Rutledge, Andy	1987
McDonald, Mickie	1981	Daniels, Mike	1988
Neesmith, George	1981	Ferguson, Jim	1988
Sellers, Charles	1981	Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1988
Shannon, Pat	1981	Trosper, Mollie	1988
Conn, Mike	1982	Wallace, Paula H.	1988
Houser, Theron	1982	Godfrey, Dennis	1989
Huffstetler, Tim	1982	Lanier, Vann	1989
Wallace, Paula H.	1982	Ratchford, George	1989
Ferguson, Jim	1983	Sellers, Sylvia	1989
Jimison, Kenneth	1983	Wallace, Guy A.	1989
Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1983	Blum, Bob	1990
Trosper, Mollie	1983		

Hildebrand, Bill	1990	Keener, Louise	1999
Keener, Louise	1990	Turlington, Dennis	1999
Lanier, Roland V.	1990	Whitesides, Roy	1999
Sellers, Charles	1990	Zill, Larry	2000
Hildebrand, Connie	1991	Bradley, Scott	2000
Huffstetler, Tim	1991	Hoyle, Todd	2000
Ratchford, Linda	1991	Lanier, Sharon	2000
Spencer, Robert E.	1991	Parsons, Pam	2000
Turlington, Dennis	1991	Reid, Johnnie	2000
Daniels, Mike	1992	Daniels, Mike	2001
Ferguson, Jim	1992	Ratchford, George	2001
Ratchford, Jim	1992	Sellers, Charles	2001
Trosper, Mollie	1992	Trosper, Mollie	2001
Wallace, Paula H.	1992	Wallace, Paula H.	2001
Godfrey, Dennis	1993	Carithers, Roger	2002
Ratchford, George	1993	Cloninger, Kristen	2002
Sellers, Sylvia	1993	Godfrey, Dennis	2002
Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1993	Lanier, Roland V.	2002
Wallace, Guy A.	1993	Ratchford, Linda	2002
Blum, Bob	1994		
Grissom, Dan	1994	(Effective January 2003, add	opted 3-year)
Keener, Louise	1994	(rotation system, 4 elders in	each class)
Lanier, Roland V.	1994	Evans, Leila	2003
Sellers, Charles	1994	Grissom, Jami	2003
Carithers, Roger	1995	Turlington, Dennis	2003
Cloninger, Charlie	1995	Zill, Larry	2003
Huffstetler, Tim	1995	Ferguson, Jim	2004
Spencer, Polly	1995	Hoyle, Todd	2004
Turlington, Dennis	1995	Parsons, Pamela	2004
Wallace, Paula H.	1996	Wallace, Guy A.	2004
Daniels, Mike	1996	Carithers, Rebecca	2005
Haynes, Gail	1996	Foy, Totsie	2005
Lanier, Vann	1996	Groves, Harry	2005
Richardson, Chuck	1996	Ratchford, George	2005
Zill, Larry	1996		
Cloninger, David	1997		
Godfrey, Dennis	1997		
Ratchford, George	1997		
Trosper, Mollie	1997		
Wallace, Guy A.	1997		
Blum, Bob	1998		
Ferguson, Jim	1998		
Lanier, Roland V.	1998		
Lyden, Bob	1998		
Sellers, Sylvia	1998		
Evans, Leila	1999		
Grissom, Dan	1999		

DEACONS

	Year	(In 1947 Began Limited	3-Year Term)
<u>Name</u>	Electe	d Bradley, John	1947
Shannon, M. A.	1907	Tanner, A. C.	1947
Lewis, E. L.	1907	Ferguson, Roland	1947
Lynch, C. G.	1907	Kenley, Charley	1947
Biggs, J. N.	1907	Spencer, Albertus	1947
Spencer, C. A.	1908	Hogue, H. F.	1948
Clemmer, Charles L.	1908	Dixon, Robert	1948
Shannon, S. E.	1909	Shannon, Alden	1948
Spencer, Charles L.	1909	Houser, Theron	1948
McIntire, F. M.	1909	Spencer, R. L.	1948
Kendrick, James	1909	Carver, W. L.	1949
Counts, H. W.	1914	Young, Melvin	1949
Rhyne, O. L.	1916	Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1949
Dempsey, J. L.	1916	Spencer, C. L. Jr.	1949
Shannon, M. L.	1921	Shannon, Buford	1950
Harrison, T. G.	1921	Gillespie, George	1950
Crawford, A. H.	1921	Huffstetler, Tom	1950
Ferguson, R. A.	1921	Lewis, Gant	1950
Spencer, W. S. Sr.	1921	Bradley, John	1951
Varner, O. E.	1921	Faris, Elmer	1951
Cathcart, B. M.	1921	Hanna, Harry	1951
Houser, J. D.	1921	Kenley, C. B.	1951
Lewis, J. H.	1921	Hogue, H. F.	1952
Walton, C. H.	1923	Dixon, Robert	1952
Jenkins, J. R.	1923	Petty, R. C.	1952
Caldwell, P. G.	1928	Chambers, Otha	1952
Crawford, R. E.	1928	Houser, Theron	1953
Spencer, J. E.	1928	Mayberry, W. R.	1953
Jackson, H. C.	1928	Spencer, W. S., Jr.	1953
Hooks, R. H.	1930	Young, Melvin	1953
McKelvie, Henry	1930		
Gamble, George	1935	(In 1954 Changed from Limit	ted 3 - Year)
Shannon, Earl	1935	(Term to 4 Year Term)	
Rhyne, Howard	1935	Gillespie, George	1954
Spencer, Albertus	1935	Lewis, Gant	1954
Eudy, John	1935	Kenley, Robert	1954
Vickers, A. C.	1942	Pursley, Hugh	1954
		Shannon, Alden	1954
		Shannon, Buford	1954
		Spencer, Donald	1954
		Falls, Cicero	1955
		Faris, Elmer	1955
		Kenley, Robert	1955

Beal, H. P.	1956	Beal, H. P.	1966
Kendrick, Howard	1956	Bradley, Glenn	1966
Manning, Ted	1956	Trosper, Robert Jr.	1967
Ashworth, Colon	1957	Collette, O. W.	1967
Nall, Lacy	1957	Faris, Joe	1967
Houser, Theron	1957	Shetley, Walton	1967
Blalock, W. D.	1958	Blalock, W. D.	1968
	1958	Collette, Myrtle	1968
Hunter, M. B. Lewis, Gant	1958	Goins, Buren	1968
Jenkins, Ernest	1959	Rhyne, Howard	1968
	1959	•	1968
Moffitt, Harold		Trosper, Robert Jr.	1969
Young, Melvin	1959	Keener, Bertie	
Freeman, Roland	1960	Queen, Clyde	1969
Ferguson, Jim	1960	Shannon, Alden	1969
Kennedy, Larry	1960	Wallace, Guy A.	1969
Lanier, Roland V.	1960	Jimison, Kenneth	1970
Beal, H. P.	1961	Kennedy, Cathy	1970
Freeman, Roland	1961	Lawrence, John	1970
Faris, Elmer	1961	Shannon, Frances	1971
Kendrick, Howard	1961	Beal, H. P.	1972
Gillespie, George	1961	Clark, Robert III	1972
Shetley, Walton	1961	Forster, John	1972
Chavis, J. B.	1962	Godfrey, Dennis	1973
Shannon, Alden	1962	Bradley, Glenn	1973
Collette, Orval	1962	Lanier, David	1973
Faris, Joe	1962	Pursley, Bryce	1973
Goins, Buren	1962	Sellers, Sylvia	1973
Lewis, Holland	1962	Shannon, Buford	1973
Keener, David	1963	Trosper, Robert Jr.	1973
Blalock, W. D.	1963	Jimison, Louise	1974
Chavis, J. B.	1963	Petty, Florence	1974
Ogburn, L. D.	1963	Rhyne, Howard	1974
Pursley, Hugh	1963	Shannon, Alden	1974
Bradley, A. C.	1964	Shetley, Walton	1974
Hunter, M. B.	1964	Torrence, Annie	1974
Cook, John	1964	Jenkins, Rick	1975
Faris, Elmer	1964	Spencer, Robert E.	1975
Jenkins, Ernest	1964	Stockton, Earl	1975
Long, Raymond	1964	Wallace, Paula H.	1975
Gillespie, George	1965		
Sellers, Charles	1965	Adopted Unicameral System for	
Ferguson, Jim	1965	Elders effective Janu	ary 1976.
Keener, David	1965	All current Elders and	=
Andrews, Dean	1965	resigned and adopted a	4 Year term
Bradley, A. C.	1965	Rotation System, with	
Shannon, Alden	1966	each class.	

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Abrahamiun, Snow Bradley Mrs.	245
Adams, Darrell	1282
Adams, Sharon Mrs.	1107
Adams, Tom	1106
Adkins, Earlie	322
Adkins, Leonard	346
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Allen, John Boyce	119
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Alley, Patricia	1159
Allman, Paul	1304
Allman, Virginia Ford Mrs.	1185
Anders, Patty	1346
Anderson, A. S. Mrs.	1
Anderson, Allen Scott	87
Anderson, Clarence	501
Andrews, Christopher Dean	1014
Andrews, Dean	1014a
Andrews, Dean Mrs.	1014b

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Anthony, Ashley	1361
Anthony, Kathey Whitesides Mrs.	947
Anthony, Sarah Bradley Lynch Mrs.	670
Anthony, Steve	1333
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Armistead, Mary Gillespie	1376
Arrowood, Bertha Ether	145
Arrowood, Della Mrs.	97
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Asheworth, Sara Jane Torrence Mrs.	717
Auten, Deborah Jean Patterson Mrs.	1089
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Bailey, Claire Mrs.	1266
Baity, Barbara Aline Ferguson Mrs.	832
Baker, Estes	397
Baker, Harry Mrs.	1022a
Baker, J. B.	395
Baker, J. B. Mrs.	396
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Barker, Lois	672
Barker, Lola Mrs.	953
Barker, Smith	313
Barlow, Willie May	223
Barret, Arthur	355
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Bateman, Sterlin	314
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Batten, Curtis Lee	1046
Batten, James Alfred	1047

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Baynard, Dot	1208
Beal, Ann Rebecca Spencer Mrs.	648
Beal, H. P.	923
Beal, H. P. Mrs.	1082
Beal, Scott Rhyne	747
Beam, Bertha	1059
Beatty, Mary Kate Kenley	1024
Benfield, Jacqueline Ann Patterson	1090
Benfield, Mrs.	83
Biggerstaff, Angelan Hannon Mrs.	1354
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Biggs, Belle Mrs.	52
Biggs, Mary J. Mrs.	5
Bisanar, John	718
Bisanar, John Mrs.	719
Bisanar, John Mrs.	958
Black, Ralph	460
Blalock, Allen Wayne	1068
Blalock, Bruce	991
Blalock, Lois Crawford Mrs.	647
Blalock, Robin	1134
Blalock, Wilbur D.	863
Blue, Charles David	933
Blue, Paul Fairly	971
Blue, Thelma Mrs.	932
Blum, Bob	1289
Blum, Julie Dawson Mrs.	1341
Blum, Kelly	1318
Blum, Pat Mrs.	1290
Bobo, Mary Lou Glenn Mrs.	1066
Bolick, Betty Jo Kenley Mrs.	840
Bolinger, Robert	474
Bolton, Helen Houser	612
Bonham, Beatrice	533
Bonham, Jeter	534
Bowden, Gordon	1319
Bowman, Renee Emory	1287

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Boyter, F. G. Mrs.	680
Boyter, Franklin G.	58
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Boyter, Norman	691
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Boyter, Rosa W. Mrs.	57
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Bradley, Betty Francis	797
Bradley, Campbell	412
Bradley, Carolyn Mrs.	1353
Bradley, Charles Buddy	989
Bradley, Edna Faye	1183
Bradley, Mary Ellen Cochran Mrs.	1317
Bradley, Estelle	703
Bradley, Francis	673
Bradley, Gail Mrs.	1095
Bradley, Gertrude Ann Mrs.	603
Bradley, Glenn	1094
Bradley, Jennie	669
Bradley, Jimmy	805
Bradley, John Lewis	963
Bradley, John Lewis	862
Bradley, John Mrs.	559
Bradley, John S.	960
Bradley, John S. Mrs.	961
Bradley, Johnnie	222
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Bradley, Mack Jr.	311
Bradley, Mack Mrs.	50
Bradley, Margaret Ann Ratchford	754
Bradley, Margaret Mrs.	745
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Bradley, Terry Julya	265
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Bradley, Will Mrs.	859
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Bradshaw, Ed A.	202
Bradshaw, Ed A. Mrs.	203
Brannon, Carol Moore Mrs.	1168
Brenumer, Alice Edna Draper Mrs.	625
Brewer, C. R.	956
Brewer, C. R. Mrs.	911
Bridgeman, Fred W.	685
Bridgeman, Harry	849
Bridgeman, Harry Mrs.	850
Bridgeman, J. M.	772
Bridgeman, J. M. Mrs.	773
Bridgeman, Randy Mrs.	1186
Bridges, Alex Mrs.	790
Bridges, Alexander	172
Bridges, Annie Mrs.	1302
Bridges, Christy	1281
Bridges, Clarence	443
Bridges, Dean	1280
Bridges, Floyd	511
Bridges, James	221
Bridges, James Mrs.	1009
Brooks, Estelle Bradley Mrs.	1005a
Broom, George	583
Broom, Inez Miss	584
Broom, J. R.	580
Broom, J. R. Jr.	582
Broom, J. R. Mrs.	581
Brown, George	999
Brown, Jimmy	1001
Brown, John C. Mrs.	1327
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Bryson, Ellen	1187
Bullard, Lenore Merle Davis	593
Bullock, Donna Mrs.	1404
Bullock, Rupert	1405
Bulman, E. G.	699
Bulman, E. G. Mrs.	698
Bulman, Ellis	701
Bulman, Rudolph	700
Bumgarner, Nancy Shannon	948
Burgess, Laurie J.	158
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Carithers, Becky Gillespie	1305
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Carpenter, Harry	405
Carpenter, Irene	403
Carpenter, Juanita	406
Carpenter, Malcom	404
Carter, Joe Mrs.	641
Carver, Lionell	776
Carver, Lionell Mrs.	777
Carver, W. L.	778
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Castano, Ana	1422
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Clark, Marjorie	1351
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Clemmer, Charles L.	75
Clemmer, Mabel	226
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Cloninger, Janice Clark Mrs.	1158
Cloninger, Kristen Clemmer Mrs.	1372
Cloninger, Margaret Anne	1423

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Conn, Jim	1246
Conn, Steve	1244
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Conner, L. R.	730
Conner, L. R. Mrs.	731
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Cope, Allen	317
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Crawford, Edith Lewis Mrs.	918a
Crawford, Elbert	613
Crawford, Lila Eudora	646
Crawford, Linda Mrs.	1157
Crawford, Mack Junius	760
Crawford, Peggy Ann	894
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Daniels, Ben	1334
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Dion, Bonita (Bonnie) Marie Mrs.	1410
Dion, Robert A.	1409
Dixon, Alfred	1117

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Dixon, Alfred	1117
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Dixon, Catherine Beatrice Mrs.	639
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Dixon, Charles Clinton	1182
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Dixon, Hattie Rose Spencer Mrs.	109
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Dixon, Mildred Pressley Mrs.	913
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Duren, Dan	1245
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Faris, Reola Mrs.	804
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Ferguson, Carrie Spencer Mrs.	64
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Ferguson, John	1025
Ferguson, John Mrs.	854
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Ferguson, Robert	335
Ferguson, Roland	611
Ferguson, Sandra	1207
Ferguson, Shelby Sparrow Mrs.	1011
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Ford, Regina	1193
Ford, Roy	946
Forster, Anthony Mrs.	1060
Forster, Janet Mrs.	1061
Forster, Janet Mrs.	1141
Forster, Janet Mrs.	1275
Forster, John	1140
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Gamble, George Mrs.	1149
Gibson, Jack	1425
Gibson, Julia	1426
Gibson, Sonni	1424
Gilbert, Hattie	250
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Glenn, Rebecca	1412
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Glenn, William Garland, Jr.	1037
Glover, Betty Carver Mrs.	780
Glover, David	1133
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Glover, Mary Goldie Mrs.	204
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Glover, Myrtle E. Mrs.	211
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Goebel, Rupert Mrs.	921
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Goebel, Rupert W.	447
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Grigg, Alma Mrs.	1195
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Grissom, Jennifer	1427
Grissom, Zack	1428
Groves, Amy Huffstetler Mrs.	1268
Groves, Beulah May Bradley Mrs.	562
Groves, Harry	1436
Gunnell, H. O.	606a
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Hamilton, Joseph	130
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Hamrick, T. L.	363
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Hanna, Harry M.	783
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Hanna, Mildred	785
Hanna, Sarah Louise	813
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Harkey, L. H. Mrs.	281
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Harris, Claude	159
Harrison, Achley	598
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Harrison, Thelma Wilson Mrs.	1023
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Hastings, Whitney Mrs.	622a
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Haynes, Carolyn	890
Haynes, Julia Gail Auten	1087
Haynes, Nancy	891
Haynes, S. L.	649
Haynes, Stephanie Rebecca	1429
Hazelton, Everette	1339
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Stoddard, Raney Miss	464			
Stoddard, Sallie	461			
Stokes, Eva Ruth	563			
Stokes, Jewell	570			
Stowe, Awilda Ann Ferguson Mrs.	645			
Stowe, Betty Bradley	767			
Stowe, Lillie Mae	1180			
Stowe, S. A. Mrs.	209			
Stowe, Will H.	182			
Suarez, Lida	1432			
Suman, Carrie B. Foy Mrs.	129			
Swindler, Bob	1438			
Swindler, Rosanna	1439			
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Tanner, A. C.	624			
Tanner, A. C.	847			
Tanner, A. C. Mrs.	811a			
Tanner, Frances	848			
Tanner, Frances	811b			
Tate, George K.	42			
Tate, Mabel Gray	41			
Taylor, Ann	1392			
Taylor, Gertrude Mrs.	370			
Taylor, John	481			
Taylor, Mack	621			
Taylor, Myra Shannon Mrs.	943			

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Terry, J. M.	455				
Terry, Virginia	456				
Therkeld, Ree Mrs.	1240				
Thomas, David Lee	950 807				
Thomas, Doris Bradley					
Thomas, Susan Royster	931				
Thompson, Edna Alice Miss	626				
Thompson, L. H.	618				
Thompson, L. H. Mrs.	619				
Thornburg, Jan Glenn	993				
Thorpe, A. H.	429				
Tiddy, Margaret	191				
Tino, Julius G.	872				
Torrrence, Annie Mrs.	661				
Trimble, Ted	1390				
Trosper, Mollie Baldwin Mrs.	1109				
Trosper, Robert G.	1108				
Trotter, Ora Lee Dixon	553				
Trotter, Ora Lee Dixon	1143				
Trull, Joan Spencer Wright	808				
Turlington, Brenda	1324				
Turlington, Dennis	1325				
Tutwiler, Carolyn Neal Mrs.	713				
Tutwiler, Frank	917				
Tutwiler, Frank Mrs.	918				
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Untz, L. N.	378				
Untz, L. N. Mrs.	377				
Upchurch, W. O. Huss Mrs.	589				
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Vanderberg, J. W.	353				
Varner, O. E.	351				
Varner, O. E. Mrs.	352				
Vernon, Laurence	542				
Vickers, Arthur Charles	651				

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Vickers, Meriam Hunter Mrs.	547
Voyels, Clarence A.	577
Voyels, Clarence A. Mrs.	578
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Wallace, Alec A.	1254
Wallace, Guy A.	1103
Wallace, Guy A.	1138
Wallace, Paula Hastings Mrs.	1104
Wallace, Paula Hastings Mrs.	1139
Wallace, W. A.	43
Wallace, Ziggie	44
Walters, C. H.	496
Walters, C. H. Mrs.	497
Walters, Fred	1389
Walters, Laurie Jamieson Mrs.	1388
Walters, Lee	1283
Ward, E. B.	319
Ward, E. B. Mrs.	320
Ward, Kay	951
Warren, Ronnie	1241
Warren, Susan Mrs.	1242
Weaver, Denise	1274
Webb, Catherine Mrs.	966
Webb, Frances Harrison	631
Webber, Claude	321
Wells, Mae Miss	842
West, Linda Keener Mrs.	1251
West, W. A.	557
West, W. A. Mrs.	586
Wheeler, Kim Spencer Mrs.	1272
Wheeler, Tim	1397
White, Charles	1262
White, J. P.	54
White, Kimberly Kay	1310
White, Lillie Mrs.	55
White, Maxine Mrs.	1261

<u>Name</u>	Enrollment <u>Number</u>
Whitesides, Charlotte Mrs.	865
Whitesides, Joseph Roy	821
Whitesides, R. T. Mrs.	820
Whitworth, Elinor Mrs.	1315
Whitworth, Joe	1314
Whitworth, Joseph S.	1303
Willard, Eunice Carpenter Mrs.	1010
Willets, Arthur Glenn	568
Williams, Dan	1222
Williams, Sue Mrs.	1223
Williams, Todd	1224
Wilson, Estelle Bradley Mrs.	962
Wilson, Eva Dameron Mrs.	696
Wilson, General Roscoe	694
Wilson, General Roscoe Mrs.	695
Wilson, Mary Eula Bradley Mrs.	266
Winders, Bessie Maner Mrs.	127
Withers, Fredricka Miss	606
Wofford, Horace	388
Wofford, J. T.	192
Wofford, J. T. Mrs.	193
Wofford, James	93
Wofford, James Mrs.	94
Wofford, May	387
Wofford, W. M.	261
Wofford, W. M. Mrs.	371
Wood, Eston M.	180
Wright, Edgar Evans (Rusty)	1155
Wyatt, Nettie	135
Wylie, Clara Bell Miss	372
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York, Joy Mrs.	986
Young, Jamie	1002
Young, Jennie Mrs.	709
Young, Melvin	708

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Zill, Lawrence Robert (Larry)	1371		
Zill, Margaret Crawford Mrs.	1370		
Zill, Shawn Hughes Mrs.	1402		
Zill, Steven	1403		

STATISTICAL DATA

<u>M</u>	<u>IEMBERSHIP</u>		MEMBERSH		EXPENDITURES		<u>OFFI</u>	CERS
<u>Year</u>	<u>Church</u>	Sunday School	Building	Regular	<u>Total</u>	Elders	Deacons	
1909	109	129		454	454	5	5	
1910	140	97		662	662	5	5	
1911	152	136		722	722	6	6	
1912	158	137		862	862	6	6	
1913	111	132		1,067	1,067	6	6	
1914	118	101		1,333	1,333	6	5	
1915	107	112		1,027	1,027	6	8	
1916	100	135		742	742	4	7	
1917	90	92		771	771	4	7	
1918	78	139		918	918	4	6	
1919	93	*		1,288	1,288	4	6	
1920	185	440		2,744	2,744	6	12	
1921	220	344		4,033	4,033	5	12	
1922	240	325		4,505	4,505	6	12	
1923	193	238		4,075	4,075	6	11	
1924	215	*		3,293	3,293	5	9	
1925	133	126		3,408	3,408	5	8	
1926	118	173		4,270	4,270	5	10	
1927	120	130		5,904	5.904	4	9	
1928	136	164		3,660	3,600	8	5	
1929	135	*		3,114	3,114	8	8	
1930	135	181		3,504	3,504	9	10	
1931	125	181		2,885	2,885	9	9	
1932	135	180		1,937	1,937	9	5	
1933	125	152		2,137	2,137	9	5	
1934	124	144		1,956	1,956	9	5	
1935	125	170		2,173	2,173	9	12	
1936	131	161		2,924	2,924	9	12	
1937	150	- 164		2,835	2,835	9	12	
1938	158	163		3,428	3,428	9	12	
1939	165	169		3,239	3,239	9	9	
1940	168	182		3,749	3,749	9	9	
1941	180	161		5,180	5,180	9	10	
1942	185	160		4,923	4,923	9	13	
1943	183	154		5,563	5,563	8	10	
1944	197	170		5,966	5,966	8	10	
1945	198	165		6,789	6,789	9	13	
1946	211	180		9,948	9,948**	* 11	12	

<u>Year</u>	Church	Sunday	Building	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Total</u>	Elders	Deacons
		School					
1947	221	180		5,493	5,493	11	12
1948	219	210		6,083	6,083	11	12
1949	221	229		6,584	6,584	11	12
1950	221	226	8,354	11,169	19,523	9	12
1951	222	220	7,489	10,551	18,040	9	12
1952	218	230	6,889	11,470	18,359	11	7
1953	223	228	4,209	9,441	13,650	11	12
1954	223	228	5,028	10,923	15,951	11	12
1955	225	250	5,046	11,033	16,080	11	12
1956	228	266	4,735	14,844	19,579	12	12
1957	247	286	6,641	15,816	22,457	14	12
1958	260	270	3,722	17,076	20,798	14	12
1959	277	288	2,547	19,324	21,871	14	12
1960	286	272	3,498	20,802	24,300	16	13
1961	279	255	2,124	23,540	25,664	16	14
1962	311	283	1,599	25,369	26,968	16	15
1963	316	259	3,029	25,542	28,567	16	16
1964	313	225	3,201	24,434	27,635	16	15
1965	221	213	3,894	23,486	27,380	15	13
1966	224	208	2,077	27,263	29,340	12	12
1967	225	196	2,074	28,534	30,608	12	12
1968	208	175	3,011	28,197	31,308	12	12
1969	214	163	753	35,625	36,378	12	12
1970	205	187	1,646	46,402	48,048	12	12
1971	193	190	3,421	35,029	38,450	12	12
1972	194	144	8,990	33,190	42.180	12	12
1973	197	139	2,604	37,468	40,072	12	12
1974	192	120	4,820	41,124	45,944	12	12
1975	194	172	2,524	44,021	46,545	16	***
1976	195	128	2,378	46,717	49,095	16	
1977	185	156	38,480	51,886	90,356	16	
1978	202	163	3,280	56,121	59,401	16	
1979	195	166	4,189	64,928	69,108	16	
1980	202	174	56,361	68,085	124,446	16	
1981	214	164	9,741	76,630	86,371	16	
1982	211	159	9,833	74,630	84,463	16	
1983	217	149	73,490	107,165	180,574	15	
1984	229	150	14,350	104,256	118,606	15	
1985	229	150	0	118,075	118,075	15	
1986	205	143	1,792	121,808	123,600	15	
1987	205	143	15,973	126,740	142,713	15	

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<u>Year</u>	Church	Sunday School	Building	Regular	<u>Total</u>	Elders	Deacons
1988	214	145	38,376	133,250	171,626	15	
1989	206	121	2,380	115,670	118,050	15	
1990	201	116	584,790	118,940	703,730	15	
1991	200	112	84,232	208,066	292,298	15	
1992	207	90	32,707	188,761	221,468	15	
1993	213	91	11,982	167,742	179,742	15	
1994	165	96	11,561	184,734	196,295	15	
1995	168	108	4,442	209,030	213,772	15	
1996	169	112	17,731	153,418	171,149	15	
1997	171	110	38,730	176,928	215,658	15	
1998	166	60	749	176,981	177,730	15	
1999	164	67	0	143,472	143,472	15	
2000	143	85	21,942	145,143	167,085	15	
2001	141	93	12,065	145,074	157,139	15	
2002	136	82	1,304	163,461	164,765	15	
2003	138	69	14,297	174,357	188,,654	14	

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^{*} Not in satistical report

^{**} Purchased new organ \$2,292

^{***} Changed to Unicameral System

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